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THE WEATHER.

The indications for to-day in this city and neighborhood are probably fair, threatening at night, northeasterly winds.

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THE NEWS CONDENSED.

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FOREIGN.—An official note issued in Rome says that the Marquis di Rudini, being unable to reconstruct the Italian Cabinet, called on the King last night to acquaint him with the situation. It is supposed that the Premier's failure is due to the attitude of the Marquis Visconti Venosta, the Minister of Foreign Affairs in the late Ministry. The entire Haitian Ministry has resigned, but the recent excitement in Port au Prince has subsided. It is thought that the attempt to secure a Papal nuncio for Canada has been abandoned for political considerations. It is reported that England has agreed not to oppose Germany's operations in China in return for a promise of non-interference by Germany in the Egyptian question.—Page 7.

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The new Catholic Church of St. Mary, Help of Christians, at East Orange, was dedicated yesterday.

The damage resulting from the fire in the carpet store of John & James Dobson in Philadelphia on Saturday night amounts to more than $800,000.

Litigation is in progress at Poughkeepsie over the estate of Morgan A. Dayton of Milton, Ulster County, who was the father of thirty-two children.

In view of the extension of the lighting district around Jamaica, the local electric lighting company, it is reported, will erect arc lights on the country roads.

The School Board of Roslyn refused the daughter of a colored pastor admission to a white school, and he has threatened to appeal to the State Superintendent.

The Rev. Dr. David A. Day, a Lutheran missionary in Liberia for twenty-three years, left Liverpool for New York Saturday. It is feared he will not reach here alive.

Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, the mother of President McKinley, died at her home in Canton shortly after 2 o'clock yesterday morning. The funeral will be held at 1 o'clock to-morrow afternoon.

The promoters of the General Electric Railway Company of Chicago are accused of having squandered $600,000 of the company's funds. J. P. Morgan is said to have advanced $900,000 on the company's bonds.

A special freight train was wrecked early Sunday morning on the New York Central Railroad five miles from Poughkeepsie. A south-bound passenger train was halted by a danger signal when within a quarter of a mile of the wreck.

Mrs. Helen Bantfy of this city, who is suing for a divorce from her husband, is the daughter of Baron von Ziegfeld, who was Minister of the Austro-Hungarian Empire to Turkey. The defendant is the cousin of the Prime Minister of Hungary. The two eloped and were married in Constantinople in 1887, their families opposing the match because of religious differences.

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Richard Croker, Mayor-elect Van Wyck, and most of the other Tammany men at Lakewood are expected to return to this city to-day. John C. Sheehan is expected at Cape May to-day.

A call signed by prominent men in the chief cities of the country was issued last night by Ralph H. Easley for a conference to be held in this city on Jan. 14 and 15 in regard to reform of the primaries.

There will be a hot fight against Abraham Gruber in the coming Republican primaries of the Twenty-first Assembly District. J. S. Barcus gave out yesterday affidavits to support his charge that access to the rolls of the district had been refused.

Chairman Quigg of the Republican County Committee issued last night a statement which contained a letter to William Brookfield, outlining what the regulars would like to meet the views of the independents. Reports indicate alarm for next year among the country leaders.

The Germany leaders assembled at Lakewood two hundred strong spent yesterday in going to church in the morning, driving in the afternoon and discussing politics during the evening. Many of them returned to this city last night. No appointments have yet been announced.

The Evangelical Alliance is preparing to undertake a great National campaign of education on behalf of good citizenship. Over a million workers, it is expected, will soon be engaged in distributing systematically throughout the land patriotic literature by men of acknowledged ability and reputation.

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Two officials were upset by a trolley car in Jersey City and painfully injured while driving in a fog.

At Johnstown, N. Y., Saturday night, Samuel Mills shot a notorious character whom he found in his wife's company, and then shot himself.

Eighteen or twenty spectators of a public baptismal ceremony at Manasquan, N. J., yesterday were thrown into the water by the collapse of a bridge.

The young woman with whom Zanoli, the insurance swindler, was negotiating when he was arrested, with the intention of marrying her, has been found in Brooklyn.

Representative Henderson of Iowa set forth the provisions of the Henderson Bankruptcy bill, which, it is said, is likely to be passed this session by the House.

The Congressional programme this week is such that several important matters will come under discussion. They include the civil service, the seal question, and immigration.

St. Mark's Lutheran Church in Sixth Street, near Second Avenue, celebrated its jubilee yesterday with special services. The celebration will be continued to-day and to-morrow.

W. H. W. Howell, who, in February, 1896, purchased $1,125 worth of bicycles from a firm in this city on a false schedule of assets and disappeared, was arrested in Blythebourne.

The Rev. John C. Scudder, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City, investigated in his sermon last night against the proposed mammoth hog abattoir, and violently attacked the railroad companies.

Coroner Hoeber yesterday took the antemortem statement of Frederick Loesch of 979 East One Hundred and Sixty-first Street, who was supposed to be dying from injuries received last February when he was assaulted.

Miss Mary Grace Mulchahey, daughter of the late rector of St. Paul's Chapel, this city, was found hanging from a door in her room in Brooklyn. Despondency is thought to have been the cause of her suicide.

James McCann, a farmer of Pittsfield, Mass., rushed barefooted into the East Thirty-fifth Street Police Station and announced that he had been robbed of his pocketbook and $2,200. The pocketbook was discovered under his pillow, and contained a larger sum than he had imagined.

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Gen. Weyler arrived in Madrid yesterday and was received without enthusiasm. The Carlists have abandoned their projected demonstration against President McKinley's message. There is a feeling of discouragement in Havana, the hope that the insurgents would surrender or accept autonomy having been abandoned.

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Most of the riders in the six-day bicycle race are in good physical condition. Two surveyors have measured the track and will report and make affidavit as to its length to-day.

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Four boys, the oldest fourteen years old, who robbed and assaulted an immigrant boy in West Street, were caught last night.

The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott delivered the last of his four introductory sermons on St. Paul, and afterward replied to questions from his parishioners, touching on many interesting points.

The Rev. Dr. Charles H. Eaton lectured last evening on "The Evolution of a Woman's Character," taking Sarah Grand's latest novel, "The Beth Book," as his text.

Father Mortara, whose conversion to the Catholic Church forty years ago, when he was a child, caused much comment, celebrated mass yesterday in Father Sylvester Malone's church in Brooklyn. He comes here to establish Italian missions.

Arrangements for the third annual convention of the National Association of Manufacturers, which is to begin in this city Jan. 26 next, are in the hands of the district members, of whom Warner Miller is Chairman.

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A bill providing for the establishment of a National University at Washington will be presented in Congress to-day.

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The Rev. Lorenzo M. Clarke, successor to the Rev. Dr. Charles Cuthbert Hall, assumed his pastorate at the First Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn.

The Rev. Dr. J. B. Remensnyder in his sermon yesterday defended the ecumenical creeds, and replied to the sermon of Dr. Savage, preached on the previous Sunday.

Dr. Silverman, in his lecture at Temple Emanu-El yesterday, replied to Robert Ingersoll's Thanksgiving Day address and asserted that the Ten Commandments had not been abolished.

In a sermon at the Church of the Messiah yesterday upon "Why Unitarians Have No Creed," Dr. Minot J. Savage expounded the broad principles of their belief, which, he argued, was based upon logic, toleration, and free discussion.

Father Ducey of St. Leo's Catholic Church preached yesterday morning in denunciation of the prevailing social conditions and of the crime of what he called "Churchianity," as opposed to Christianity.

Prof. Felix Adler, in his address before the Society for Ethical Culture at Carnegie Music Hall, yesterday dwelt on anti-Semitic prejudice and its evil consequences. He gave the causes of the preservation of the Jewish race among the nations, and emphasized the fact that anti-Semitism was contrary to the fundamental principle of Christianity.

The Rev. George H. Wallace, who preached at the New York Presbyterian Church, in One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Street, yesterday, may be asked to retain the pulpit in succession to the Rev. Dr. Robinson, whose request to the Presbytery that his pastoral relations with the church may be severed, will be supported by a committee of members of the congregation.

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COAL SCARCE IN JAPAN.

Supplies for Steamers Restricted—Fighting in Formosa—Siberia Overrun by Russian Soldiers.

TACOMA, Washington, Dec. 12.—The steamer Glenlochie, just in, could not get coal at Morroan, the Japanese coaling station, for her voyage to Europe, securing only enough to last her to Tacoma, where she loads wheat. Capt. McGregor reports that the prices of Japanese coal have been advanced 40 per cent. in consequence of the approaching exhaustion of the Japanese mines. Forty to fifty years will see them exhausted. The owners are restricting the output and raising prices. Foreign steamers are allowed only a limited supply. Greatly augmented importations from Australia will follow.

The Port of Denrijoko, Formosa, was captured in November by rebels, who were later driven out by the police and troops. On gaining possession, the rebels murdered two Japanese officials and looted banks and stores. The losses on both sides numbered sixty killed and wounded.

Vladivostock, Siberia, is to be opened as a Russian port of first importance next year. Millions are being spent on stone docks and fortifications and Siberian railway terminals. A dock 350 feet long and 90 feet wide, hewn out of the solid rock bluff, has been completed after seven years' work. Nearly 100,000 soldiers are massed in Siberia, and in Vladivostock, with a population now of 40,000, one can walk the streets all day and hardly meet a civilian, so completely is it given up to military and naval forces.

CHICAGO PROMOTERS ACCUSED.

Charged with Squandering $600,000 of General Electric Railway Funds—J. P. Morgan Interested.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Judge Grosscup of the Federal Court has ordered the books of the General Electric Railway Company produced in court and a full showing made of all money expended. This is the result of the efforts of Charles Austin Bates of New York to throw the company into the hands of a receiver.

The startling charge is made that over $600,000 given to promote the work has been squandered without a foot of actual construction being attempted. Through J. P. Morgan's connection with the Love Traction Company, it is asserted that A. G. Wheeler, the latter's General Manager, got the financier to advance $300,000, with General Electric Railway bonds for security. A few weeks ago these same bonds were offered at public sale, but afterward withdrawn, the supposition being that new representations had been made to Mr. Morgan.

Bates and his attorneys say a conspiracy was entered into to defraud the original stockholders, and that all the rights and privileges of the company were leased to A. G. Wheeler, and by him again leased to the Metropolitan Traction Company at a rental of $5,000 a year. Bates claims that all the assets of the company have thus been fraudulently placed out of the original stockholders' reach. It is said that there is not a single visible asset of the company and not a foot of road built, while the valuable franchise is held by the Metropolitan Traction Company. Wheeler, Perry, Hull, and other General Electric promoters are behind the Metropolitan Company. These men refused to show their books in court, but Judge Grosscup's order covers this point.

DREAMED PERPETUAL MOTION.

A Syracuse Carpenter Claims to Have Solved the Problem.

SYRACUSE, Dec. 12.—S. S. Rogers, a carpenter of this city, claims to have solved the problem of perpetual motion. Up to six weeks ago he had never thought of the question. Then he had a dream, and upon awakening, informed his wife that he had discovered the secret of perpetual motion. The next day he constructed a simple machine, which, by the arrangement of unequal weights upon two wheels and suitable gearings, when once started, runs for an unlimited time.

Mr. Rogers believes that if not stopped the machine would run until worn out. Crowds are about the mechanic's house daily, but he only permits a favored few to view the machine, as he is perfecting it. Mr. Rogers has applied for a patent.

OMAHA UNION STOCK YARDS.

Eastern Stockholders May Make Trouble To-day in a Meeting.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 12.—The Union Stock Yards Company of Omaha will hold its annual meeting to-morrow. A large number of stockholders from the East, around Boston and New York, where most of the shares are held, are in Omaha, preparing to take personal part in the meeting. In addition several Chicago capitalists and packers arrived to-day to witness the skirmish.

Though the stock is owned in the East, the property, valued at $10,000,000, has been handled by W. A. Paxton, M. C. Keith, John A. McShane, F. A. Valentine, John A. Creighton, E. H. Smith, Jesse Pratt, John B. Sherman, and A. C. Foster, all wealthy men. The cause of the row is said to be the fact that the Omaha Directory some time this Fall gave Armour & Co. land and stock to the value of $1,800,000 in return for a $1,000,000 packing house that firm was to erect and operate here. The courts may be asked to set the gift aside.

PRESIDENT'S MOTHER DEAD

Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley Expires After an Illness of Ten Days.

ALL HER CHILDREN PRESENT

The President and Other Members of the Family at Her Bedside When the End Came Early Yesterday Morning.

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Mrs. Nancy Allison McKinley, the mother of President McKinley, died at her home in this city at a few minutes past 2 o'clock this morning. All of her children and several other immediate relatives were at her bedside when she expired. She did not suffer any in her last hours, but gradually passed from the deep sleep in which she had rested almost constantly for the preceding ten days into the sleep of death.

The end was beautiful in its peacefulness. Mrs. McKinley seemed to sleep so soundly that it was difficult to tell when she breathed her last. This condition continued for a half hour, during which she seemed to sleep her life away. Her last interval of consciousness was several hours before her death.

At daylight this morning, at the suggestion of some of the older members of the congregation of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, the bell in the tower of the church slowly tolled off the years of Mrs. McKinley's age. President McKinley remained up until about 3:30 o'clock, a little more than an hour after his mother's death, and then retired for a few hours' sleep. During the forenoon he and his brother spent the greater part of an hour walking about the more secluded streets near home, securing much-needed exercise and air. The President was greatly refreshed by the exercise, after the trying ordeal of the last ten days, during which, except when he went to Washington to attend to official duties, he had kept an almost constant vigil at the bedside of his mother.

In the afternoon the President and Abner McKinley drove to West Lawn Cemetery to attend personally to the arrangements for the interment of their mother, which will be in the family lot where their father is buried. This adjoins the lot which for more than twenty years has contained the bodies of the two children of the President and his wife, under carefully kept mounds that are strewn with flowers whenever the parents come to Canton. To-day the President laid clusters of flowers on the graves, while the site of his mother's resting place was being selected.

Messages of condolence are pouring into the telegraph office from all quarters, and many friends have called on the family to offer sympathy. Stewart L. Bowman of Lorain, the husband of one of Mrs. McKinley's grandchildren, joined the family circle this morning. All the children and grandchildren except Mrs. George B. Morris of San Francisco, a daughter of the late David McKinley, are now here. Other relatives will come to attend the funeral.

THE FUNERAL ARRANGEMENTS.

Church Services to be Held at 1 o'Clock To-morrow Afternoon.

CANTON, O., Dec. 12.—The funeral of Mrs. McKinley will be held in the First Methodist Episcopal Church of this city at 1 o'clock Tuesday afternoon. Interment will follow in West Lawn Cemetery, just west of the city, and Tuesday evening President and Mrs. McKinley and the officials from Washington who attend the funeral will leave for the Capital, reaching there about noon Wednesday.

It was at first intended by the family that the services should be of a more private nature, held at the old homestead. It was soon learned, however, that the number of friends who desired to attend could not be accommodated by such arrangements, and church services were decided upon. The services will consist of an address by the officiating clergyman, and the singing of several of Mrs. McKinley's favorite hymns by the choir. The Rev. Dr. Manchester, the pastor of the church, will extend an invitation to the ministers of all the churches of the city, of which there are about thirty, to occupy the pulpit and participate in the services.

Pallbearers have been selected from among the older members of the church and those who for years have been close neighbors of Mrs. McKinley. They are Judge William R. Day, William A. Lynch, ex-Mayor R. A. Cassidy, L. L. Miller, W. W. Clark, Judge T. J. McCarty, David Zollars, and ex-Mayor John F. Blake.

The First Methodist Episcopal Church, in which the services are to be held, is the one in which "Mother" McKinley worshipped throughout her residence in Canton, and in which she was to be found almost every Sunday morning, only serious indisposition or important circumstances keeping her away. Three weeks ago to-day she was in her pew for the last time. This is also the congregation with which the President has always been associated. It was in this church that he was Superintendent of the Sunday school thirty years ago, and here that he always has attended services when in Canton, usually going with his mother. They last attended church together in September, when the President was here during his Summer vacation. The President is a member of the Board of Trustees of the church.

CABINET TRIP TO CANTON.

Several Members to Attend the Funeral of Mrs. McKinley.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—All the members of the Cabinet whose official duties will permit them to leave Washington at this time will start for Canton to-morrow evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. McKinley. The party will include Secretaries Alger, Bliss, and Wilson, Postmaster General Gary, Attorney General McKenna, and Secretary Sherman, if the latter is feeling well enough to make the trip. Secretaries Long and Gage are detained in Washington by pressing departmental duties. Vice President Hobart will also remain here, his presence being necessary as the presiding officer of the Senate. The ladies of the party will be Mrs. McKenna, Mrs. Gary, Mrs. Alger, and Mrs. Porter. The arrangements for the journey are being made by Mr. Porter, secretary to the President.

The party will have two private cars at their disposal. They will leave Washington at 7:10 P. M. over the Pennsylvania Railroad, reaching Canton about 10 o'clock the following morning. After an informal luncheon and a brief rest, the party will attend the funeral services, and leave by the evening train for Washington. The President's car will be attached to the train on the return trip.

The President on his return will devote himself to disposing of the large amount of routine business which has accumulated in his absence, and will receive no callers for the remainder of the week. Just what effect the death of the President's mother will have upon the social events in official circles for the remainder of the Winter it is impossible to say, the matter being left in abeyance until the President's return.

MRS. McKINLEY'S CAREER.

Absorbed in Her Home Life and the Doings of Her Distinguished Son.

CANTON, Ohio, Dec. 12.—Mrs. McKinley was distinctively a home-loving woman, and the two-story frame cottage on West Tuscarawas Street in this city where she died and where she had lived for many years was dearer to her than any other spot on earth. There she spent her declining days with her daughter Helen and her grandchildren Grace and James McKinley, receiving occasional visits from her other children and seldom going out except to church, where she could be found every Sunday morning unless prevented by illness.

While showing a deep affection for her other children, she had followed the career of William with pride and solicitude. With fond motherly admiration she watched him rise from the position of Prosecuting Attorney of his own county, by successive stages to Congressman, Governor, and finally to the Presidency. During the campaign of last year for the nomination and afterward for the election Mrs. McKinley was one of the most interested observers. She was always given the place of honor at the home of her distinguished son, and on the day that his nomination by the St. Louis Convention was announced she heard the news as soon as he did. He showed the deep love he bore his mother by kissing her as soon as he had received the announcement of the result at St. Louis.

All through the campaign that followed she watched the doings of her son with deep interest. She was a frequent caller at his house, and was greeted by many of the visiting delegations of Republicans. She accompanied the President to the inauguration and remained in Washington until Mr. and Mrs. McKinley had become settled in the White House. Then she returned to Canton with expressions of gratitude for being at home once more.

Nancy Allison McKinley came of a family which was transplanted from England to the hills of Virginia. The Allison family subsequently removed to Greene County, Penn., where Abner Allison, Nancy's father, was born, and where he married Ann Campbell, of Scotch-German descent. Early in the present century Mr. and Mrs. Allison came from Pennsylvania to Columbiana County, this State, traveling by pack horses.

In 1800, near the present city of Lisbon, Nancy Allison was born. Her girlhood was passed on the farm, and in 1827 she married William McKinley, a young iron manufacturer. The couple lived first at Fairfield and afterward at Niles and Poland before removing to Canton. Nine children were born to them. They were David, deceased; Anna, deceased; James, deceased; Mary, deceased; Helen Minerva, now living at Canton; Sarah Elizabeth, now the wife of A. J. Duncan of Cleveland; William, the President; Abigail Celia, deceased, and Abner, whose home is in New York.

William McKinley, Sr., died in November, 1892, at the age of eighty-five years.

THE REV. DR. DAY VERY ILL.

Missionary in Liberia for Twenty-three Years—Leaves Liverpool for New York.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—Cable messages received here are to the effect that the Rev. Dr. David A. Day, one of the best-known missionaries of the General Lutheran Synod of the United States, left the Royal Hospital at Liverpool yesterday in a very critical condition, and sailed for New York in the care of his wife.

Dr. Day had been at Muhlenburg, Liberia, for twenty-three years, and has achieved eminent success in his missionary work there. Stricken down with African fever, he was obliged to go to England last October. Growing no better, he is returning to America with the hope of reaching here and laying the results of his work before the synod.

His condition is such, however, that death may come during the voyage.

SHOT BY A FLORIDA WOMAN.

James Goff Probably Fatally Wounded for Trying to Bully an Absent Neighbor's Wife.

JACKSONVILLE, Fla., Dec. 12.—Mrs. Zachariah Martin, the young and pretty wife of one of the most prominent farmers of Alachua County, delivered herself up to the Sheriff of that county yesterday evening after a long ride from her home. She confessed to having shot with a rifle and probably fatally wounded James Goff, a neighboring tobacco grower, with whom her husband had had trouble.

During the absence of Mr. Martin, who went away on business, Goff came upon the place. She saw him through the window approaching, and entering the plazza, and requested that he leave immediately. He declined to go, used insulting language, and made vicious threats. He declared that he would do as he pleased on the premises, and began picking fruit. Mrs. Martin hurried into the house, and, procuring a Winchester rifle, repeated her order. Goff quickly drew a pistol and fired, the bullet whistling viciously over the woman's head. She rested the rifle against the door of the house, took careful aim, and fired. Goff fell with a groan. A ball had penetrated his abdomen, and made a wound that will probably kill him.

She gave instructions to servants to summon medical assistance quickly, saddled her horse, and rode to Bronson, where she surrendered.

DEATH IN CHICAGO WATER.

Sea Gulls Drink It, Become Sick, and Die.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Great flocks of seagulls swarmed upon Chicago Harbor to-day, for the first time, so vessel men say, since Chicago became a great harbor. They flew up as far as Lake Street Bridge, and several people took shots at them from the wharves. The gulls tried fishing in the opaque and filthy stream, with the result that several became sick, and at Clark Street Bridge two of these died.

None of the sportsmen succeeded in hitting the gulls, and their efforts were jeered by the sailors along the stream, who have a superstition against killing these birds.

TYPEWRITERS TO BE CHEAPER.

Prediction of a War in Prices That Will Affect Good Machines.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Typewriter men here say that 1898 will see big cuts in the prices of machines. The high prices maintained by the Trust have given the opposition companies opportunity to fight the Trust with the latter's old machines.

It is from the Trust, therefore, that the cut is expected, and the prediction is that it will be so great that 50 per cent. of the opposition's competition will be obliterated.

A former employe of the Trust says the average $100 machine costs $15, and that the machines of this class next year will retail at $50.

A leading member of the Trust will withdraw next month.

THE PHILADELPHIA FIRE.

Losses of John & James Dobson and Others Over $800,000.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—The damage resulting from last night's fire at John & James Dobson's wholesale and retail carpet salesrooms, 809 and 811 Chestnut Street, will reach a larger sum than was at first estimated. The loss on building and stock amounts to more than $800,000, which is covered by insurance. The losses are divided as follows: Dobsons, $80,000 on building and $500,000 on stock; Sharpless Brothers, adjoining Dobsons' on the east, $200,000 on building and stock; Commonwealth Title Insurance and Trust Company, adjoining Dobsons' on the west, $30,000; Andrew H. Hoskins, stationery and fancy goods, 815 Chestnut Street, $25,000.

Sharpless Brothers and the Commonwealth Company were damaged principally by falling walls and by water. Hoskins's loss was by water. Fire Marshal Thompson has not yet determined the origin of the fire.

Wage Question in Fall River.

FALL RIVER, Dec. 12.—Nearly all the ministers of the Fall River churches referred to-day to the threatened outdown of the mill hands' wages. The question of a similar cut in the salaries of Superintendents and Treasurers, which is of greatest interest to the employes, also was spoken of, and one pastor, the Rev. William Knight of the Central Congregational Church, offered to reduce his own salary 10 per cent. if a similar reduction would be agreed to by the mill officials.

Tug's Steward Lost at Sea.

PORTLAND, Me., Dec. 12.—The tug Honeybrook, which arrived here to-day towing the New Jersey Railroad barge No. 1, lost her steward some time during Saturday night. The steward's name was William Robinson, and he belonged in South Wellfleet, Mass., where he leaves a wife and a large family of children.

A WRECK ON THE CENTRAL

Special Freight Train Strikes a Rock Lodged on the Track 5 Miles from Poughkeepsie.

SIXTEEN CARS PILED IN A CUT

Narrow Escape of the Fast Night Express from Troy—Halted Less than a Quarter of a Mile Away.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Dec. 12.—A very bad freight wreck occurred on the New York Central Railroad at 4:30 o'clock this morning, at a point five miles north of this city, from an apparently trivial cause. A small section of slate rock, weighing in the aggregate only a few hundred pounds, fell from the inland side of a rock cut upon the north-bound track.

A north-bound extra freight train of forty loaded cars, drawn by Engine No. 598, and running at the rate of twenty-five miles an hour, struck this obstruction and the engine and sixteen cars were derailed. The engine kept on its course and ran along over the ties for a distance of 300 feet before it stopped.

The sudden checking of the momentum of the locomotive and forward cars with the pressure from behind of the part of the train that remained on the track caused the derailed cars to come together in the cut so that they were jammed from side to side in zigzag positions. Both tracks and roadbed were torn up for a distance of 250 feet.

The wrecked cars were loaded with all kinds of general merchandise, including cases of medicine, furniture, pianos, fruits, furs for a military regiment in Canada, canned goods, and machinery. About one-half of the freight escaped damage.

On the engine were Patrick O'Hagen, engineer; Joseph Hebeler, fireman, of West Albany, and Frank Grant, head fireman, of Poughkeepsie. The engineer was slightly bruised and the fireman's back was badly strained from being thrown down in the cab. Grant, the flagman, was uninjured, and to that fact is probably due the salvation of the fast night express from Troy, with its load of sleeping passengers.

Grant realized immediately that it was his duty to warn the south-bound trains, several of which were even then due. He jumped from the cab and ran up the track swinging his red lantern as he ran. He was one minute too soon for the Troy express was then in the block ahead and running very fast. The train came to a stop within a quarter of a mile of the wreck.

The accident caused almost complete cessation of traffic. Passenger trains were blocked north and south of the wreck all day.

The through mail and limited trains were run between New York and Albany over the Harlem Division and Boston and Albany Railroad via Chatham, while special trains were made up at Poughkeepsie to accommodate passengers between here and Albany. There were about 150 passengers on the morning express trains that were stalled north of the wreck, and which were sent back to Albany at noon and run to New York by the improvised route.

The fast mail train which carries the New York newspapers to all points North and West was stalled here all day, with about forty tons of newspapers designed for places throughout the State.

At 6 o'clock to-night, one track was put in operation. Trains are running now with slight delay.

A LEHIGH VALLEY WRECK.

Sixteen Cars Derailed in the Vossburg Tunnel Take Fire—All Day Fight with the Flames.

WILKESBARRE, Penn., Dec. 12.—A heavy freight train drawn by two locomotives crashed into a train of empty coal cars in the Vossburg tunnel, on the Lehigh Valley Railroad, this morning. Both engine and about sixteen freight cars were derailed, blocking the tunnel completely.

In a few minutes after the collision the wreck took fire, and the big tunnel began to fill with smoke. Engineer John Thomas of the first engine was thrown violently out of the cab. His fireman, James Degan, had an ankle sprained. The other trainmen escaped injury. All the train hands got out of the tunnel, but they had the greatest difficulty in doing it. They had to crawl on their hands and knees for 800 feet. When they reached the mouth of the tunnel they were very weak.

The railroad officials telegraphed to Wilkesbarre and Tonawanda for fire engines and firemen. Special trains from both places carried firemen and apparatus to the scene of the wreck at the rate of a mile a minute. After a hard day's work the flames were subdued at 5 o'clock in the evening. Traffic was delayed, as all trains had to be run around the tunnel.

PROTEST AGAINST PAXSON.

Philadelphia Labor Men Do Not Want Him on the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—The United Labor League, at a meeting this evening, passed a resolution authorizing the officers of the league to send a protest to President McKinley against the appointment of ex-Chief Justice Paxson as a member of the Inter-State Commerce Commission.

The grounds for the protest grew out of an opinion rendered by Mr. Paxson when he was Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of this State, in relation to the Homestead strike. The protest will state that Mr. Paxson's appointment would be an insult, not alone to the organized labor in this city and State, but to every working man in the United States.

THE TWO MRS. KNIGHTS.

Foundation of the Maryland Woman's Claim to the Disputed Property.

BALTIMORE, Dec. 12.—Considerable interest has been excited here in the suit on trial in New York between the two Sarah A. Knights, both of whom claim to have acquired title to a valuable house and lot at 11 West Twenty-eighth Street. Mrs. Sarah A. Knight of Havre de Grace, Md., one of the claimants, was formerly a resident of this city.

In 1894 this Mrs. Knight received a letter from a New York lawyer stating that the house at 11 West Twenty-eighth Street had been deeded to her, and inquiring what price she would accept for the property. She put the matter in the hands of Oliver T. Rogers, an attorney of Havre de Grace, to whom she stated that she had some relatives in New York who were wealthy, and that they had assured her that they would place her in comfortable circumstances, and for this reason she was confident that the property was hers.

After a year or two spent in an attempt to identify the grantors as the relatives of Mrs. Knight, Mr. Rogers gave up the task as hopeless. Some time afterward Mrs. Knight passed the property by assignment to Thomas C. Enos of Havre de Grace, who is employed in the through mail service between Washington and New York, and the present suit before Justice Cohen is the consequence. Mrs. Knight is about sixty years old.

Old Coins Found in New Jersey.

NEWARK, Dec. 12.—While Emil Schneider, proprietor of the Hotel Feurbach, on Washington Avenue, Nutley, with a couple of other men, was engaged a few days ago in removing the stump of an old tree which had been cut down, they came upon a quantity of old coins, mostly Spanish and Hessian. There are about 150 of the coins, and many of them are dated in 1702. Several years ago a large number of Hessian coins were found near the old paper mill, a short distance away.

TO PROBE BOSTON'S POLICE.

A Prominent Clergyman Charges General Corruption and Promises a Searching Investigation.

BOSTON, Dec. 12.—Rev. A. A. Berle, one of the most prominent clergymen of the city and Chaplain of the Ancients, to-night announced that the Legislature will be asked to "Lexow" the Boston Police Commission, particularly in relation to liquor licenses. He charged that the members of the board were but agents for the control of the liquor traffic for the benefit of the brewers; that as a man left the board he entered the direct employ of the breweries; that the board is afraid; that the Police Department is demoralized.

"But this shall not always be," he said. "We shall ask the Legislature to appoint an ad interim committee with powers of subpœna to examine the methods of the board. We shall have every past and present Commissioner who can be reached, including Consul General William McKinley Osborne, present; we shall summon every brewer and leading politician, under penalty of prison for perjury; we shall illuminate the underground passages of the police system, and many men who now hold their heads high will regret their birth."

Commissioners Martin and Clark refuse to discuss the matter. John B. Moran will probably be prosecutor for the committee, if it is appointed.

HAD THIRTY-TWO CHILDREN.

Litigation Over the Estate of an Ulster County Man, Whose Big Family Made Him Poor.

POUGHKEEPSIE, Dec. 12.—A lawsuit was tried before Justice Barnard yesterday growing out of the settlement of the estate of Morgan A. Dayton, who died at Milton in 1891. Mr. Dayton had a decidedly old-fashioned family. At the time of his death he had been the husband of five women and the father of thirty-two children. The members of the Dayton family in the lower portion of Ulster County are nearly all his children or grandchildren, and it is said that his direct descendants would make a village of a larger population than Milton itself. Most of his family settled around home, but a son, Morgan A. Dayton, Jr., is a prominent business man in New York.

One of the first wives died about 1841, and in the settlement of her estate Morgan A. Dayton was appointed guardian for one of his daughters, Anna Augusta, and received a fund of $844, of which he was entitled to the income during his life. Upon his death the principal was to go to the daughter. He gave a mortgage to secure the fund, but the support of his numerous family so far depleted his resources that when he died he did not leave sufficient real or personal property to pay his debts.

About one-half of the face of the mortgage was paid to the husband and four children of the daughter, she having died several years ago. The mortgage is now being foreclosed to secure the balance. Charles Dayton purchased the property without ascertaining the existence of the mortgage, and is defending the suit.

SNORING IN SLEEPING CARS.

Kansas Man Purposes to Get Legislation to Stop It.

TOPEKA, Kan., Dec. 12.—Editor J. J. Miller of Santa Fé believes nervous passengers have some rights that railroad and sleeping car companies are bound to respect. Friday night on a west-bound Santa Fé train a man from Garden City kept the passengers in a car awake by terrific snoring. Miller was in the car and could not sleep a wink, he says.

He will undertake to secure legislation to compel railway and sleeping car companies to keep porters on guard who shall awaken passengers when they begin snoring.

In the proceeding Miller says he will have the sympathy of the traveling public from Maine to California.

A CHICAGO RAILWAY FRANCHISE

Held by the Grantee by Running One Car One Trip a Day.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The Chicago City Railway Company claims the right of way over a block of track on Van Buren Street between Wabash Avenue and State Street.

As it had not used it for a long time, it being in the possession of one of Mr. Yerkes's West Side lines, it was in danger of losing it. Saturday night it began running a horse car over that block of track. The empty car made one round trip and went back to the barns.

This will be done each night in order to hold the right of way.

BOYS START FOR THE KLONDIKE.

Halted in New Brunswick and Taken Back to Jersey City.

NEW BRUNSWICK, Dec. 12.—Three Jersey City boys, who said that they were on their way to the Klondike, and carried each a pick and shovel, were intercepted here last night by the police. The boys were each about fourteen years old.

They left Jersey City yesterday afternoon on a freight train. The gondola car which carried them only went as far as East New Brunswick, and there the boys prepared to spend the night. They were in such high spirits over their adventure that they attracted the attention of Thomas Clary, the night watchman, who handed them over to a policeman, who locked them up in the police station.

About 2 o'clock this morning the Sergeant heard one of the boys remark, with a tremor in his voice:

"When I took the coal in last night auntie gave me 5 cents and told me to come home early. I wonder what she is saying to herself now?"

By morning all the boys were feeling homesick. They had lost their desire to go to the Klondike. They were very glad when their parents came to get them and take them back to Jersey City.

THE WEATHER.

The local forecast may be found at the top of this page, to the right of the title.

The weather is fair from the lake regions southward to the Gulf. Rain occurred yesterday morning over New England, and local rains or light snows are reported from the lake regions, the Northwest, and from Texas northward to the Dakotas. It is decidedly colder on the Atlantic Coast and in Northern Texas, but the temperature has risen slightly in the Mississippi Valley. The barometer has fallen rapidly in the Mississippi Valley and the Southwest; it has risen slowly in the St. Lawrence Valley and the lower lake region and rapidly over the Northern and Central Rocky Mountain districts. There is a depression of considerable energy over Northern Texas and the barometer is highest over the Central Plateau regions. The indications are that the cloudiness will increase in the central valleys, with rain or snow. Snow is also indicated for the lake regions. The weather will be fair on the Atlantic Coast from New England southward to Florida, Monday, but the conditions are favorable for rain to-night.

The record of temperature for the twenty-four hours ended at midnight, taken from THE NEW YORK TIMES's thermometer and from the thermometer of the Weather Bureau, is as follows:

	Weather Bureau. 1896.	1897.	TIMES. 1897.
3 A. M.	36	51	52
6 A. M.	34	48	51
9 A. M.	36	43	50
12 M.	42	45	52
3 P. M.	43	46	51
6 P. M.	46	42	47
9 P. M.	45	38	43
12 P. M.	40	37	41

THE TIMES's thermometer is 6 feet above the street level; that of the Weather Bureau is 285 feet above the street level.

Average temperatures yesterday were as follows:

Printing House Square.....48¾
Weather Bureau.....46
Corresponding date 1896.....41
Corresponding date for last 20 years....37

The maximum temperature yesterday was 53 degrees at 12:30 A. M.; the minimum was 37 degrees at 5:00 P. M. The humidity was .96 at 1:00 A. M. and .76 at 8:00 P. M.

BARONESS SEEKS DIVORCE

Romantic Union of the Banffys in Constantinople Ends Unhappily in This Country.

DISOWNED BY THEIR PARENTS

Deserted Wife the Daughter of an Austrian Minister to Turkey, the Husband a Relative of the Hungarian Prime Minister.

A divorce suit in which both the plaintiff and defendant are members of noble and distinguished families of the Austro-Hungarian Empire is now pending in the Supreme Court in this city, and will probably be called for trial this week. The plaintiff, known here as Mrs. Hélen Banffy, was born Baroness von Ziegfeld. Her father was Baron Albert H. von Ziegfeld, Minister of

QUIGG TO BROOKFIELD

The County Chairman Issues a Statement and a Letter to the Opposition Leader.

OFFERS OF THE REGULARS

Reports that Mr. Platt Is Hearing Unpleasant News from the State —Alarm About Next Year's Campaign.

It is reported that the Republican organization managers are disturbed over the reports received as to the situation up the State. As is well known, it was the belief of the country leaders that the Republicans had no chance of success in the Mayoralty campaign without fusion with the other anti-Tammany forces. This view of the situation was urged upon Senator Platt, it was said, and it was asserted that many of the leaders thought that he ought to accept Seth Low as his candidate, even though to do so might be a somewhat bitter pill to swallow. The schism that has resulted from the Mayoralty fight is looked upon with alarm by the country leaders, it is reported. They say that if another Republican organization is formed in Greater New York it will mean Republican defeat next Fall. It is asserted that the up-country leaders regard the situation as so desperate that State interference in the local quarrel is among the possibilities.

It was said yesterday that County Chairman Quigg had told some of the Assembly district leaders that New York should stand firm and not yield to the independents, in order to secure full recognition at the State Convention. The harmony sentiment in the State has become so strong, it is reported, that Senator Platt and Chairman Quigg have been placed between two fires, and are in a quandary as to what to do, and further that the local leaders are afraid to yield to the independents, in the belief that doing so might weaken the strength of the New York organization in the State convention.

A conference attended by Chairman Quigg, Frederick S. Gibbs, Frederick Holday, Collector George R. Bidwell, and others was held in Senator Platt's rooms in the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday afternoon, at which the situation was discussed.

Quigg Talks About Conspiracy.

Afterward, Congressman Quigg gave out the following statement, signed by himself:

"If any Republican in the City of New York identifies himself with any other political organization than the regular organization of the Republican Party he must do so knowing that the regular organization has exhausted every means at its command to preserve fraternal relations with the factionists who are engaged in this conspiracy to defeat the nominee Republican candidate for Governor. If their objects were simply to make a complete and new enrollment of the party and then to the Republicans so agreed define policies and nominate candidates they could not possibly refuse our repeated offers of harmony. They say they want a new constitution. So do we. They say they want the Assembly District basis of enrollment and organization. So do we. They say they want representation based not on enrollment, but on the number of Republican votes polled in a general election. So do we. The present constitution of the Republican Party is not of our devising. It was written by the very men who are now protesting against its provisions. We protested against them when they were first drafted. There is no principle of reform for which they contend which is not also desired by us.

"There can be no excuse, therefore, for a bolting movement on their part which is consistent with the claim that they are Republicans. If they persist in their bolting plan they will have to confess that their motive is simply and solely factional and personal.

"The letter herewith published was written with the unanimous approval of the Republican District leaders. We submit it to the perusal of the Republican voters of the county, confident that no one can read it without being convinced not simply of our willingness, but of our deep desire to do everything which reason and justice will permit to satisfy the demands of the opposition, and to preserve to Republican principles and Republican candidates the support of a united party.

"New York, Nov. 30, 1897.

"Hon. William Brookfield, New York City:

"Dear Mr. Brookfield: You suggested at the close of the conversation we had the other day that I should put in a memorandum the views I had expressed to you concerning such a reconstitution of the Republican organization in the County of New York as, in my view, ought to be satisfactory to all fair-minded Republicans. I did not feel willing at that time to take quite so formal a course because I had not consulted with all the district leaders, and I felt that I ought to make sure of my ground. Now, however, I am able to offer these suggestions with reasonable confidence that they can be carried out if they commend themselves to you and to those whom you represent.

Has Doubts at the Start.

"Perhaps I ought to say, in introducing the subject, that the organization leaders doubt whether the interests of harmony are such to be promoted by the presentation on their part of any formal proposition. They are disinclined to believe that a large element of the existing opposition is making war, not in support of any principle of organization, but simply against individuals, and that any plan of their suggesting would be repudiated or ignored by that opposition unless it guaranteed in advance the wholesale proscription of gentlemen now prominent in the organization in every Assembly district; unless, indeed, it offered the complete surrender of a great majority to a small minority. They fear, to speak frankly, that any plan they might propose, however generous its provisions, unless it involved the abandonment of their position as the regular organization of the party and the withdrawal from active participation in party affairs of many individual Republicans, instead of being received and considered on its merits as a plan, would be unfairly denounced as insincere, would be advertised as a sign of weakness, and sneered at as a scheme to inveigle your protestants to their discomfiture.

"I do not believe that you would give countenance to such malicious and injurious talk, but we fear that there are many men in your movement who are interested to create disorder by reason of their own disappointments and resentments, or so far the victims of their preconceived prejudices as to be incapable of taking a broad and rational view of the situation and of their responsibilities. If we are going to accomplish a result in this matter, if we are going to bring about a united party and are to provide for it an organization which has the confidence and support of all Republicans, the extremists on both sides must be held in check; and we must keep constantly in mind the fact that we are dealing with the fortunes of a great political party whose success we all profess to believe to be absolutely necessary to the public welfare.

"It is in this spirit, disregarding the probable criticisms of deliberate disturbers, that I venture to suggest to you a plan which I believe to be both feasible and sufficient. In elaborating this plan I have had two things in mind. First, the satisfaction of every complaint now made against the existing organization, no matter whether I regard it as a just complaint or not, and, second, the protection of our position as the regular Republican organization, until we can be succeeded in a regular way. These two conditions I suppose to be absolutely necessary to a fair and satisfactory composition of differences.

Objects to Political Suicide.

"It has been suggested that we straightway cause a new enrollment to be made, and in order that time may be had for it and for the primaries and conventions to be held under it, that we order a postponement of our regular annual primaries due to take place on the night of Dec. 14. But that would be an act of suicide on our part.

"Article 29 of the Constitution, By-laws and Rules of the Republican Party of the City and County of New York, reads as follows:

"'Each election district association shall annually on the second Tuesday of December elect delegates to a convention to be composed of delegates from all the associations in the Assembly district in which it is located.

"'Conventions composed of the delegates so elected shall meet in each Assembly district on the third Tuesday of December in each year and elect members of the County Committee.

"'You will see from this article that we cannot do otherwise than hold our December primaries, nor can we do otherwise than hold our December conventions. The language of the article is mandatory, and to disregard it would be to leave the Republican Party in New York City without any organization whatever, and to abolish one position of regularity, which we can scarcely be asked to do. For precisely the same reason must the new County Committee, created by these primaries, be assembled on the third Thursday of January, and take action with regard to its organization. But the delay in accomplishing a legitimate organization, (which the interposition of these necessary events might imply,) need not be an actual delay at all, and could not in any respect affect public or party matters, for the reason that no convention to define party policies or to nominate party candidates will be held until next Fall.

"Experience has already shown that three or four months are required for the completion of such a task as we are now discussing. If we had started out with it the day after election we could scarcely have finished it in time to avoid the December primaries. Now, what you want is a new enrollment, and a new County Committee, can I see in what way the December primaries are material to you. To us they are not simply material, they are necessary. They are the prescribed method of legitimate succession and until another method of legitimate succession has been lawfully prescribed, we are bound to protect this one and to maintain our integrity as the regular organization of the party.

Main Point Easily Disposed Of.

"I am not unmindful of the contention, though it is scarcely entitled to serious consideration, that the organization has already forfeited its claim to regularity by reason of its alleged refusal to comply with the provisions of Article 88 of the Constitution. That article is in these words:

"If at any time an association shall contain less than ten members, or if the Republican vote of an election district, at a general election, shall be less than the number of members borne upon the roll of the association, such association shall thereby be disqualified from representation in any convention, and the association shall be dissolved, subject, however, to reinstatement upon the recommendation of the Committee on Organization of the County Committee, made after investigation of the condition of the party in such district and on inquiry into the probability of an increase in the membership of the association and of the Republican vote in the district. Such dissolution and reinstatement shall continue until after such inquiry and until the County Committee shall act upon the report of the Committee on Organization and shall determine whether the association shall be reinstated and whether a new enrollment shall be ordered in the district.

"It was very obviously the purpose of this article to prevent and to punish the familiar crime of 'padding the rolls.' It was not intended to be invoked as a means of creating a new general enrollment and a reorganization of the party. It is not designed, nor is it competent to meet a situation in party sentiment created by a refusal of practically one-half of the party to abide by the decisions of regular nominating conventions. The position of the County Committee with regard to this article is simply that there is no way of applying it to the existing enrollment by reason of the fact that the boundaries within which the voting occurred differ entirely from the boundaries within which the enrollment has been had, so that there is no way to ascertain in which district the Republican vote was less than the Republican enrollment.

"But, keeping constantly in mind the fact that what you want is not so much the personal satisfaction of impeaching those with whom you differ as the creation here of a party organization which will serve to the party the services of all Republicans of every class and station, so that there shall result a harmonious and united party, the question whether we are living up to the provisions of this article is of as little moment as the question of the December primaries, provided it is our purpose, as we declare it to be, to co-operate with you to obtain at the earliest practicable moment that satisfactory and sufficient organization. The fact being assured that we are ready so to co-operate, then, if you are ready also, together we can go forward and secure to you all that you want, while preserving to ourselves all that our responsibilities require us to safeguard. And what we may or may not do in that regard cannot possibly interest you, since the essential objects you seek to serve are fully guaranteed.

He Suggests a Plan.

"Now, as to the plan. I suggest that a committee be appointed on the part of the opposition charged with the duty of taking whatever measures it may deem necessary to procure a new enrollment of Republicans in the County of New York and a new governing organization; that this committee communicate its instructions to the Republican County Committee and request a conference; that a committee of the Republican County Committee be appointed to meet with the committee of the opposition; that they jointly, or through such agencies as they may jointly devise, proceed to writet a new constitution for the party, and to embody in it a plan of enrollment under such supervision as they may jointly agree upon; that this constitution and plan of enrollment be reported back to the Republican County Committee, and by that committee adopted; that thereupon the enrollment be had, primaries held, conventions assembled, and a new County Committee elected, upon the first meeting of which the old County Committee will dissolve.

"In offering these suggestions I cannot profess to submit anything more than my own solution of the problem confronting us generally approved by the district leaders of the organization, but if it meets the views of the opposition, I do not doubt that it can be carried into effect. I hope you will look upon it simply as a suggestion and as the expression of our sincere and profound desire to secure harmony of sentiment and unity of action in the Republican Party. Nothing surely can be more deplorable than the creation here of rival organizations. That, let me venture to suggest, should be the last, and not the first recourse of those who really have at heart the triumph of Republican principles.

"SAMUEL E. QUIGG."

Congressman Quigg returned to Washington last night. At the conference with Senator Platt the subject of Republican representation on the Police Board was also discussed. No selections will be made until Senator Platt leaves Washington for the holiday recess. Among the candidates are Frederick Haldy, Thomas R. Hamilton, Gen. Michael Kerwin, Gen. James M. Varnum, Gen. James R. O'Beirne, and Charles H.

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AFFIDAVITS FOR GRUBER.

He Demands Proofs of J. S. Barcus's Charges, and They Are Promptly Furnished.

The Twenty-first Assembly District will be the scene of the bitterest fight of the Republican primaries. The primaries will take place on Tuesday night, and in the Twenty-first James S. Barcus and his friends will make an effort to defeat Abraham Gruber, the organization manager, for the leadership. With regard to the fight Mr. Barcus said yesterday:

"There was no intention on my part to make the contest for necessary reforms in the Republican organization a personal matter in any way; but when a bad principle must be attacked no headway can be made by attacking it in the abstract; it is absolutely necessary to criticise the acts of the men representing the principles, and by reason of this necessity attention has been called to the political conduct of the State leader, and of Mr. Quigg and Mr. Gruber.

"At a public meeting of the Riverside Republican Club Wednesday evening, Dec. 8, Mr. Gruber demanded that I then and there, without previous notice, produce the proof of the following statement in my address delivered at the Republican mass meeting at Lion Park Hall, Nov. 29: 'Mr. Gruber is guilty of encouraging the violation of the constitution of the County Committee, which provides for the opening of the rolls for copying, so that whether, as many independent Republicans think, the rolls are padded or not, they are kept in such secrecy as to suggest crookedness, and to prevent the detection of crookedness if it does exist.'

"I dislike to submit documentary evidence of this well-known and lamentable fact, but since it has been demanded the responsibility is upon Mr. Gruber's head and not mine. And to prove my statement here are two affidavits."

The affidavits which Mr. Barcus submitted were sworn to before James E. Smith, Notary Public, by Edmund R. Dodge and Elmer B. Silver. They declared that they had requested of Frederick Scheck, Secretary of the Thirty-first Election District Association, and Walter S. Lowe, the Chairman, permission to copy the rolls, which request they affirm was refused. Mr. Dodge declares that he said to Mr. Lown: "Are you trying to run this district by Tammany Hall methods?" and that Mr. Lown responded: "As long as I am Chairman of this district nobody can copy them [the rolls] or look at them unless I say so."

Mr. Dodge further makes affidavit: "I wrote a letter to Abraham Gruber at Saratoga Springs, calling his attention to the above facts briefly, and to-day [Dec. 9] I met Mr. Gruber in the Supreme Court of this city, and he acknowledged that he had received my letter, but had made no reply to it. Mr. Gruber very well, and if he had desired to reply to my letter he could have done so, as I have lived at the same address before stated, for the past two years, and I believe my address is known to him; at least it was known to Mr. Scheck and Mr. Lown."

Mr. Silver declares: "I made repeated attempts to secure my right, as a member of the association, to copy the roll, all of which were fruitless."

"This proof," said Mr. Barcus, "could be continued almost indefinitely. It is but natural that people who will resort to these secret methods for conducting primaries in their own interests should deny the charge when it is made, and that they should give currency to the false statement that their opponents are misrepresenting them merely for the sake of getting public sympathy."

Julius M. Mayer Protests.

Julius M. Mayer, Republican leader of the Twenty-third Assembly District, had an interview with County Chairman Quigg at the Fifth Avenue Hotel yesterday afternoon with regard to the coming primaries. He protested against the holding of the Ninth Election District primary in a saloon not situated in the district, and asked that it be held in the barber's shop in which the Mayoralty election polls were placed. He also asked that the names of thirty-four men who had enrolled, but whose names do not appear on the rolls, be written there. Chairman Quigg assured Mr. Mayer, it is said, that these concessions would be made to him.

MISSING BOTTLE OF WHISKY.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Dec. 12.—Investigation regarding the bottle of old Bourbon which Miss Harriette Bainbridge Richardson sent to ex-Secretary Herbert to be used in christening the Kentucky shows that it was presented to Miss Richardson by Major B. G. Thomas, the noted turfman who bred Domino. The Major is extremely angry because the bottle has been lost. To-night he gave out the following interview:

"I want you to ask for me what has become of that whisky. I did not intend that it should be guzzled by politicians.

"Miss Richardson, whose father was one of my neighbors, came to me and asked for a bottle of my old whisky with which to christen the ship. I told her she could have two bottles if she wanted them, but she replied that one was sufficient.

"I gave her the bottle, understanding that it would be broken over the prow of the Kentucky, and that its choice aroma would blend with the sea foam as it dashed over the prow of the mighty vessel when she glided into the ocean.

"I very much fear, however, that the whisky has met its fate long ago and will never be used for the purpose for which it was intended.

"That bottle of whisky has a remarkable history. It was distilled in a little old-fashioned stillhouse erected nearly one hundred years ago by a man named Cole, who was a contemporary of Jim Crow and old Oscar Pepper, the earliest distillers in Kentucky. The house stood on the Kentucky River at Frankfort and about a half mile from the State House.

"Here old Dan Swigert distilled this whisky in 1855, and I bought it a year or two later. While I was in the Confederate Army it was hidden away in the cellar of my old friend, the late Madison C. Johnson, where it remained until 1870, thus making it fifteen years old. I then bottled it, and it has remained in the bottle ever since, and has been in my cellar carefully guarded from thirsty politicians.

"I sometimes treat my friends to this rare old whisky, several bottles of which I still have left, but I make it a point to never allow a politician to taste it, and it grieves me deeply that one of the bottle I gave to Miss Richardson for patriotic purposes has probably been consumed by politicians like Mr. Herbert.

"I think Mr. Herbert might at least return the bottle to me, so that I may have some reminder of the violsitudes through which this old liquor has passed."

HEATON DIVORCE SUIT.

PERRY, Oklahoma Territory, Dec. 12.—A. G. Heaton, an artist, who is well known in New York and Washington, filed suit here yesterday for divorce against his wife, Adelaide G. Heaton, on grounds of gross neglect of duty and abandonment.

Mrs. Heaton is a resident of New York. Her father was a noted lawyer in his day, and held office when Tweed was Mayor. Heaton's father is a Philadelphia banker and is wealthy. Heaton has several paintings in the Capitol at Washington, in which city he has resided for ten years. Mr. and Mrs. Heaton were married in New York in 1868, and have three children.

Harvard Class-day Election.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Dec. 12.—In accordance with the newly adopted system of conducting the elections of the senior class of Harvard College the complete list of nominations for class day honors will be published to-morrow morning, and the voting will take place by Australian ballot Dec. 15.

English Company's Purchases.

ROSSLAND, B. C., Dec. 12.—A cable from London states that the British-American Corporation has floated £1,000,000 and has secured the Le Roi, Josie, and eight of the Rossland mines, also the Alaska Commercial Company, the town site of Dawson City, and claims on Bonanza, Eldorado, Bear, and other Klondike creeks.

West Virginia Illicit Distillery.

CHARLESTON, W. Va., Dec. 12.—The notorious Redden brothers, who for a number of years have been operating an illicit distillery in Raleigh County, were captured to-day by United States Marshal Cunningham, and their distillery was confiscated.

Mississippi Man Assassinated.

AMORY CITY, Miss., Dec. 12.—S. B. Mullen, brother of Judge Mullen of Beauregard, Miss., was assassinated here to-night.

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A Call Issued for a National Conference to be Held in This City Next Month.

OBJECTS OF THE GATHERING

Prominent Men in Both Political Parties Expected to Make Addresses—Reports to be Made—Signers of the Call.

A call for a conference to be held on Jan. 14 and 15 was issued last night by Ralph M. Easley, Secretary of the Civic Federation of Chicago, who has been acting for a large number of reform and political organizations for the last three weeks. The object of this conference is to bring men together with practical ideas from all the large cities and especially from States where substantial progress has been made in caucus reform. The programme will include speeches from men of National reputation in both political parties, as well as reports from practical men as to the working of the various laws now governing primary elections or caucuses.

Considerable attention will be given to the question, "How to get voters out to the primaries," after fair laws are secured. Special interest will be taken in reports from New York, Massachusetts, Maryland, Illinois, New Jersey, and Ohio, where Legislatures will then be in session, and considering primary election laws. Headquarters will be opened at the Hotel Manhattan, Madison Avenue and Forty-second Street, on Dec. 21. The call is as follows:

Believing that our caucus or primary election customs and laws lie at the very root and source of our entire elective franchise system, and that the misrule of our larger cities is due in a large measure to the defects in such practices and customs, it therefore follows that to purify this system is to take a long step in the direction of honesty, economy, and efficiency in every branch of the public service, and, further, believing that the enactment of laws to prevent corrupt caucus practices and throw the safeguards of a regular election around the caucus or primary will encourage many more good citizens to take part therein, we, the undersigned, for the purpose of discussing and discovering as far as possible the precise defects in the various systems which now obtain and their remedies, and to take such action as may seem wise in the premises, do hereby join in calling a conference of persons interested in said question to convene in the City of New York on the 14th and 15th days of January, 1898.

We deem it desirable that the conference be made up of men from all parts of the country, and without regard to party or factional affiliations.

This call was signed by the following:

NEW YORK—William J. Strong, Abram S. Hewitt, Oscar S. Straus, Darwin R. James, John E. Milholland, Frederick W. Holls, Elias Goodman, William M. Ivins, Willis J. Abbott, Albert Shaw, William Brookfield, Gustav R. Schwab, Cornelius Van Cott, Nicholas Murray Butler, Carl Schurz, Dorman B. Eaton, W. R. Spooner, Frank J. Goodnow, Henry Randall Waite, R. F. Gilkison, Frederick Wakeman, A. Robinson, Maurice J. Power, Horace E. Deming, W. Harris Roome, George E. McAneny, E. L. Godkin, F. D. Tavey.

CHICAGO—Lyman J. Gage, Melville E. Stone, William T. Baker, Thomas B. Bryan, John V. Farwell, jr., Thomas E. Hoyne, E. G. Faulding, Jesse Holdom, T. N. Jamieson, D. H. Healy, George A. Follansby, Adolph Nathan, George L. Cole, E. G. Schaell, Henry Wade Rogers, James H. Gilbert, S. A. Wilson, Roy O. West, William H. Harper, Franklin MacVeagh, Thomas G. Macmillan, William A. Giles, Ralph C. Easley, William C. Hollister, Joseph Bonnel, Rabbi Rush, Edward Insley, E. G. Keith, N. A. Partridge, Luther Laflin Mills, John W. Ela, Lawrence B. Boyle, George L. Douglas.

BOSTON—Josiah Quincy, E. L. Sprague, Samuel D. Capen, Richard L. Gay, John C. Cobb, Joseph J. Corbett, Arthur H. Wellman, Rabbi Charles Fleischer, Robert Treat Paine, jr., Osborn Howes, Thomas Garrow.

MILWAUKEE—W. G. Rauschenberger, John N. Butler, John G. Spencer, E. H. Bottum, H. A. J. Upham, John Johnston, John F. Burke, Glenway Maxon, Charles Ernst, E. C. Bacon, C. A. Monroe, H. R. Butler, James G. Flanders, James K. Bixley, W. T. Durand, C. G. Stern.

BALTIMORE—William T. Malster, F. H. Smith, Robert Crane, J. Berry Turner, John C. Rose, M. Hochman, Joseph Packard, jr., John George J. Gaither, jr.; Roger W. Cull, Conway W. Sams, Charles Morris, Howard, Charles W. Heusler.

INDIANAPOLIS—A. L. Crocker, Cyrus Northrop, E. G. Winston, Anthony Kelly, H. A. Towne, S. R. Childs, D. P. Jones, C. S. Carlus, W. J. Deane, J. B. Atwater, G. R. Lyman.

CLEVELAND—W. R. Warner, H. A. Garfield, Myron T. Herrick, Tom L. Johnson, E. A. Angell, J. Blandin, William Cushing, H. E. Bourne, H. G. Sargent, George T. McIntosh.

BUFFALO—Edgar T. Jewett, Henry W. Brendel, William H. Hotchkiss, Mark Schubbel, Henry Altman, Charles J. North.

ALBANY.—William Barnes, jr., John F. Montignani, O. E. Wilson, W. O. Stillman, Willis G. Hale, J. J. Myers.

SYRACUSE.—John R. Commons, James R. Day, John Marcellus.

PHILADELPHIA.—Herbert Welch, F. J. Maguire, Clinton R. Woodruff, Henry Budd, Richard Vicker, Des Moines, Iowa; Samuel M. Jones, Toledo, Ohio; Washington Gladden, Columbus, Ohio; Arthur J. Beveridge and Evans Woollen, Indianapolis; Fred. W. Cahillinger, Cambridge, Mass.; Henry W. Lamb, Cambridgeport, Mass.; George F. Tucker, New Bedford, Mass.; George W. Ochs, Chattanooga, Tenn.; John F. Picken, Charleston, S. C.; Edward Rosewater, Omaha, Neb.; John H. Patterson, Dayton, Ohio; Charles S. Kay, Springfield, Ohio; James D. McPhelan, San Francisco, Cal.; E. Hofer, Salem, Oregon.

NEW JERSEY A. C. CARNIVAL.

The entry list for the athletic carnival of the New Jersey Athletic Club, to be held at Madison Square Garden next Friday and Saturday nights, is the largest ever received for an athletic meeting there, and includes the best of American athletes. It is the first time in the history of amateur sport that a two-night meeting has been attempted.

On Friday evening the events will be running high jump, handicap; one-mile bicycle race, novice; 50-yard run, handicap; 880-yard run, handicap; 220-yard hurdle race, handicap; 440-yard run, novice; one-mile run, handicap; 220-yard run, handicap, and a team race, open only to teams of four men each from insurance companies.

Saturday night's programme includes throwing the 56-pound weight for height, handicap; two-mile bicycle race, handicap; five-mile run, scratch; 40-yard run, handicap; 800-yard run, handicap; 880-yard run, novice, confined to employes of Greater New York dry goods houses; 300-yard hurdle race, handicap; 100-yard run, handicap; 440-yard run, handicap; one-mile walk, handicap, and a quarter-mile run, with a 15-yard limit, open only to members of the National Guard.

The individual all-round heavy dumbbell competition, which will extend over the two nights, will be interesting, owing to its international aspect. Some of the most important entries in the various contests are A. C. Kranslein of the University of Pennsylvania in the hurdle races; Sam Leibgold, the world's champion, and Fetterman, the intercollegiate champion, in the one-mile walk; E. J. Wefers and J. H. Rush in the sprint races, and D. O'Connell, J. S. Mitchell, and R. J. Sheridan in the weight contest.

All the leading universities have contributed liberally to the entry list, and the affair will be of National interest. William B. Curtis, the "father of athletics," will be referee.

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FOR GOOD CITIZENSHIP

The Evangelical Alliance to Undertake a Great National Campaign of Education.

OVER A MILLION WORKERS

Patriotic Literature by Men of Acknowledged Ability and Reputation to be Distributed Systematically Throughout the Land.

If the plans of the Evangelical Alliance for the United States do not miscarry, a great army, numbering, perhaps, a million or more, will soon be engaged in prosecuting a campaign on behalf of good citizenship from one end of the land to the other, by distributing patriotic literature broadcast. It is believed that the bicycle will prove a most effective agent in such distribution.

Under this scheme for the education of public opinion and the quickening of the popular conscience the best brains in the country will be requisitioned to prepare the literature, and the pastor's knowledge of local needs will be utilized to decide the line of work to be undertaken and to select the line of literature best adapted to the wants of the community in which he lives.

Approved in Many Cities.

Within the past few months the plan of the alliance has been approved and adopted in more than a score of cities, and is now in operation throughout the State of Pennsylvania, where a State Evangelical Alliance is now in process of formation. At a convention just formed in Harrisburg a committee of thirty prominent clergymen and laymen, representing the State, geographically and denominationally, was appointed. Among the members of the committee are ex-Governor Beaver and Pattison, Bishop Foss, A. B. Farquhar, and George F. Reed, President of Dickinson College.

In carrying out its enterprise, the Evangelical Alliance is now having prepared a series of leaflets by men of acknowledged ability and reputation. The general heading of this literature is a "Tract for the Times." There will be a series on good citizenship for foreign Americans, discussing such topics as the following:

The meaning and value of naturalization, the rights of the naturalized citizen, the duties of the naturalized citizen, the value of a knowledge of fundamental principles of American institutions, and the like. These will be translated into as many languages as necessary.

There will be another good citizenship series for native Americans and a series in the interest of Sabbath reform, temperance reform, social purity, &c. Already, papers have been written for the work by Dr. Huntington of Central New York, President E. B. Andrews, Prof. John R. Commons, Dr. Washington Gladden, and Dr. Josiah Strong. Others are expected from Carl Schurz, Prof. Woodrow Wilson, Richard Watson Gilder, Dr. Albert Shaw, Prof. Lewis Mayer, Prof. E. L. Lomis, Dr. E. E. Hale, Theodore Roosevelt, Dean George Hodges, Bishop Mallalieu, and Charles Dudley Warner.

Indifference the Great Obstacle.

The Rev. Dr. Josiah Strong, the General Secretary of the Evangelical Alliance for the United States, speaking of the campaign at his office in the United Charities Building, said:

"The greatest need of the times—a generic needs which includes every desirable reform, moral, social, political, and industrial—is the education of public opinion and of the popular conscience. Every new reform divides society into three classes, viz., its friends who are few, its enemies who are few, and the indifferent who are many. If the reform is ever victorious it must win its victory from the many who are indifferent.

"How can they be adequately reached? Not by the pulpit, for less than one-half of the people attend any church, Protestant or Roman Catholic; not by the press, because reform literature is bought only by those who are already interested. If the indifferent must be educated by the truth and are not interested enough to buy or go after it they must be reached by those who are sufficiently interested to carry it to them.

"The various young people's organizations of the United States, such as the Christian Endeavor Societies, Epworth Leagues &c., now include between four and five million members. Some of these young people are already doing much, but their organizations represent a vast power, as yet largely latent, which can be easily utilized.

"It is now proposed to the pastors of every community to district the same, to enlist their young people as messengers, and to send to each district for the monthly distribution of leaflets. The bicycle makes it entirely feasible to reach the scattered houses of country districts. If one in ten of these young people should distribute a dozen leaflets a month, they would scatter 5,000,000 in a year, at least one-half of which would be read, while those who do not attend church, who take no religious paper, and who presumably see no reform literature.

Character of the Literature.

"Of course," added Dr. Strong, "the value of the work will depend on the value of the literature. It is to be no goody-goody stuff more likely to reach the waste basket than the conscience and the heart; but strong, incisive, bright, attractive. At present we have no means by which the conscience of the Commonwealth can be brought to bear quickly and effectively upon the Legislature. Hence bills which outrage the moral sense of the people are often enacted into law, and good bills fail because there is no medium through which the pressure of public opinion can be brought to bear.

"Through the medium proposed by the Evangelical Alliance, as outlined, public opinion can be not only educated, but also expressed by means of petitions and protests, so that it would amount in effect to determine the action of the people's representatives."

ST. ETENNE'S ELECTRIC ROADS.

The Municipal Council of St. Etienne, in Loire, France, has just voted several new lines of electric street railways. These enterprises, according to a report of United States Consul H. S. Brunot of that place, may afford good opportunities to American electric-plant builders to propose their machinery to the contractors of these lines.

The names of the probable contractors are M. Cuffinal, electrical engineer, St. Etienne, and M. Bufaud, Rue Hôtel de Ville, Lyons. Besides these urban lines, the surveys of two cross-country steam railways, each about sixty miles in length, have been completed, and work is about to be begun.

Plans for a car railway to the summit of Mount Pilat, a high mountain of Loire, are also being discussed. The promoter of the line is M. Dopple, Rue Grange de l'Oeuvre, St. Etienne.

The Rev. Ralph Perry Dead.

AGAWAM, Mass., Dec. 12.—The Rev. Ralph Perry, aged eighty-six years, died at his home here to-day. He had been an invalid since 1874, when he was injured in a railroad accident.

YESTERDAY'S FIRES.

(From 12 o'clock Saturday night until 12 o'clock Sunday night.)

2:45 A. M.—201 East Forty-first Street; J. Manahan; damage, $50.

9:15 A. M.—328 Cherry Street; N. Lamport; damage, $100.

2:30 P. M.—242 East One Hundred and Fourteenth Street; R. Derosali; damage, $25.

2:45 P. M.—148 Forsyth Street; I. Cohen; damage, $5.

3:20 P. M.—287 Columbus Avenue; J. Friedenburgh; damage, $100.

3:40 P. M.—979 Second Avenue; H. Newhouse; damage, $5.

LOSSES BY FIRE.

NEWARK, Dec. 12.—Fire this morning in the residence of Charles Bradley did $2,500 damage.

WORCESTER, Dec. 12.—The stock house connected with the Hecla Mill, of the Calumet and Hecla Woolen Company, at Uxbridge, was burned to-night, causing a loss of $5,000.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Fire to-day originating in the basement of the six-story building 103-112 Wabash Avenue caused a loss of over $50,000. The E. H. Sargent Drug Company lost $37,000.

DURHAM, N. H., Dec. 12.—The Post Office, the general store of Alvin Jackson, and the New Hampshire Agricultural College dormitory for women were destroyed by fire this afternoon. Loss, $7,000.

Christmas Silverware in Gold and Silver Plate and Sterling Silver

Made by the Meriden Britannia Co., Silversmiths.

208 Fifth Avenue, Madison Square, West.

CROKER GOES TO CHURCH

Other Prominent Tammany Men at Lakewood Follow Their Leader's Example.

NO APPOINTMENTS ANNOUNCED

The Brooklyn Slate Said to be Made Up—Bronx Leadership Settled—Kindlier Talk About Sheehan—Mayor Patrick J. Gleason on Hand.

LAKEWOOD, N. J., Dec. 12.—Although church-going was not the main mission of the two hundred or more representatives of the Tammany Hall Democracy congregated here to-day, they did their share of it manfully, to the delight of the local pastors and the advantage of the contribution boxes.

Richard Croker set the example by attending the 11 o'clock service at the Church of St. Mary's-on-the-Lake, whither he was accompanied by Bernard J. York of Brooklyn, Senator Samuel J. Foley, Councilman Joseph F. O'Grady of Richmond, and Judge Tiemey of the Bronx. Judge Van Wyck attended the Episcopal Church in the company of another party of prominent politicians.

Following the fashion here, there was a general rush for vehicles after luncheon, and every Tammany man who could get one went driving. The liverymen, anticipating the demand, had imported a miscellaneous collection of rigs from Toms River and other near-by points, and by charging extra prices they reaped a harvest from the visitors. Mr. Croker and Mr. Van Wyck drove out together, and were gone for an hour.

Conferring with Carroll.

The men who saw most of Mr. Croker today were John F. Carroll and Andrew Freedman. They talked with him separately, and held long conferences with him together. More than once Messrs. Carroll and Croker retired to the latter's room, and altogether the two were not apart for any great length of time during the afternoon. All this added to Mr. Carroll's importance in the eyes of the other leaders present and started anew the gossip about his succeeding Sheehan as leader. The best-informed men here say, however, that Carroll cannot afford to give up the Court Clerkship he now holds for the leadership of Tammany.

The best information to be had here today is that the apportionment of the Brooklyn patronage has been at last settled satisfactorily. Bernard York is believed to be sure of landing as Police Commissioner, and Mr. McLaughlin is thought to have secured the promise of practically all he asked for, except the Dock Commissionership. All the Dock Commissioners, it is now believed, will come from Manhattan. Ex-District Attorney Ridgway of Brooklyn has been here to-day in consultation with Mr. York, who remains in the field.

The Bronx Trouble Settled.

The contention between Louis F. Haffen and James McCartney for the post of Tammany leader in the Borough of the Bronx is understood to have been settled. Mr. Croker exercised his powers as a peacemaker with the result that Mr. Haffen is to take the office of President of the borough, to which he has been elected, and Mr. McCartney will continue as leader.

The far-famed Mayor of Long Island City, Patrick J. Gleason, was the most conspicuous, if not the most important, personage about the hotel to-day. He explained his presence here by saying that he simply came down to see his friend "Tim" Sullivan, and the Tammany men to whom he talked did not manifest enough interest to question the explanation.

The receipt here to-day of a telegram announcing that John C. Sheehan was expected at Cape May to-morrow, to stay a week or ten days, caused comment among the assembled braves. The news was taken in connection with the report that Mr. Croker was understood to be contemplating going from here to Atlantic City, and the gossips at once projected a theory that the two were to meet. This story was negatived, however, by the announcement of Mr. Croker's intention to return to New York to-morrow.

More Favorable to Sheehan.

The talk about Mr. Sheehan among the Tammany men here to-day has been of a distinctly more favorable tone. While his retirement from the leadership of the organization is now taken for granted by everybody, it was said to-day that there would be no split between him and Tammany Hall, that Mr. Sheehan will remain an active worker in the organization, possibly taking a place as district leader, and that out of the general leadership he will be in a much better position to bid for and profit by contracts from the city government. The idea prevailing here is that all this will be arranged amicably, so as to give no ground for charges of discord in the Tammany ranks.

Many of the leaders who spent the day here returned to New York this evening, among the number being John F. Carroll, Peter F. Meyer, Matthew F. Donohue, James McCabe, David McClure, and P. F. Trainor.

CROKER TO RETURN TO-DAY.

He and Mayor-Elect Van Wyck Expected Back from Lakewood—Sheehan Expected at Cape May.

Richard Croker, Mayor-elect Van Wyck, and practically the entire company of Tammany representatives assembled at Lakewood are expected to return to this city to-day.

It was said at Mr. Croker's Broadway office on Saturday that he was expected to return to-day, and that when he came back it would be to stay until after the new administration has been well started on its way. Without Mr. Croker in Lakewood, the presumption is that neither Judge Van Wyck nor any of the minor le

PREPARED TO WED ZANOLI.

The Young Woman with Whom He Was Negotiating When Arrested Found in Brooklyn.

WOULD HAVE BEEN WIFE NO. 5

The Prisoner Maintains His Innocence of Murder and Helps the Police—They Have Not Caught Him in an Untruth.

Charles Zanoli, the German barber who is suspected of having killed four wives and three other persons for the purpose of collecting insurance money on their lives, maintained at Police Headquarters yesterday his protestations of innocence, and defied all the ingenuity of Capt. McClusky's efforts to get him to admit his guilt. In his conversation with the Captain, Zanoli expressed himself as being more than ready to help that official toward the solution of all doubtful questions, and McClusky acknowledged that the prisoner had been of great assistance to him in clearing up some of the details of the investigation which might have cost much time and trouble.

Charlie Zanoli, the prisoner's young son, now under the care of John Mohr, a former employé of Zanoli, was brought from Jersey City yesterday afternoon and was taken to see his father. The man threw his arms around the boy and kissed him fondly, at the same time bemoaning with his inexhaustible supply of tears the unfortunate position he now occupies.

The police have learned that the young woman who had been selected by Zanoli as his fifth wife just before his arrest on Thursday last is Barbara Hoffner, twenty-five years old, and lives in Brooklyn, where, the Captain declines to disclose. On the day before his arrest, Zanoli answered an advertisement which she had inserted in a German newspaper for a position as housekeeper. He answered the advertisement by sending a postal card with this communication:

"Esteemed Miss: Will you please be so kind and write me an answer how much wages you desire to keep house for me, widower, and eight-year-old son, with view to matrimony? Answer soon. C. Wagner, care of Charles Suhmer, 61 Warren Street."

This postal card was answered by the woman, who said that she would accept his proposition if matters should prove mutually satisfactory, and promised to call at 5 o'clock Thursday afternoon. She did call at the Warren Street barber's shop and inquired for "Wagner," and explained why she had called. She was told by an employé that there was no such person as Wagner there, and nobody there who wanted to be married. Zanoli, or Suhmer, as he was known in the shop, had been arrested two or three hours before her arrival.

The body of the fourth wife, Jennie Schlessinger, will be exhumed from its grave, in St. Michael's Cemetery, Astoria, this morning. There will be present when the body is taken up Dr. Naumach, police surgeon; Prof. Witthaus, and Coroner's Physician Weston, in behalf of the prosecution, and Drs. Frank Ferguson and W. T. Jenkins, in behalf of the defense. Sergt. Morris, as representative of the Police Department, will also be present.

Capt. McClusky has learned that Zanoli has at least a smattering of medical knowledge, which he gained during his apprenticeship for the trade of barber in Germany. He is able to pull teeth and to perform the operation known as cupping, and is familiar with the method of lancing the blister raised after the cupping process. It is possible, the Captain thinks, that he may be possessed of other knowledge of the same general character, which may have stood him in good stead in his past career.

Thus far the police have been unable to catch Zanoli in a single false statement. There was some doubt in their minds as to whether he had sent his step-daughter, Lena Werner, to Europe, as he had affirmed. The police thought that possibly he had disposed of her in some other way. The matter was put in the hands of the German Consul, and he found that the girl had sailed for Europe on a Hamburg Line steamer, in October, 1896, with a woman, in whose care Zanoli had placed her. Zanoli said he had sent the girl to Germany because he had learned that her mother, Lena Werner, who said she was a widow when he married her, had a husband living in Germany at the time, and he wished the child to be placed in the care of her relatives there.

The prisoner will be arraigned again in the Centre Street Court to-morrow morning.

CHICAGO TAX CONTESTED.

A New Yorker Objects to the Amount Charged on Personal Property.

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—Fred L. Lavanburg, of New York City, yesterday filed a bill in the Superior Court asking for an injunction to restrain Collector John Ernst from levying on certain personal property in Chicago. Lavanburg has a branch office at 7 Monroe Street.

He alleges that last May he received notice that his personal property in Chicago had been assessed at the value of $2,500, but that the Assessor had changed the figures to read $350. Later, Lavanburg says, he was notified that his personal taxes, amounting to $149, were due. The complainant says the amount should be $13 on an assessment of $350.

DYING FROM FORMER INJURIES.

Loesch's Condition Laid to an Assault in February Last.

A case which may turn out to be manslaughter was brought to the notice of the Coroner's office yesterday, when word was received there that Frederick Loesch was dying at 973 East One Hundred and Sixty-first Street from injuries he sustained from an assault on him some time ago.

Loesch lives with his brother-in-law, George Benneicheidt, and the latter had something to say about the case last night, although he had been told not to talk. Loesch, he said, was working for a livery stable keeper down town in February last, when he received the injuries from which he was dying. He left home to go to work at 7 o'clock one morning, in that month and came back three hours later, complaining that he felt badly, and that he had been beaten.

Some time afterward he developed signs of mental weakness, and his condition kept growing worse. Three months ago he had a paralytic stroke. Dr. Henel of 350 Willis Avenue was called in, and continued to treat him until yesterday, when the Coroner was sent for, as Loesch was believed to be dying.

Coroner Hoeber took Loesch's ante-mortem statement, but refused to make it public. He said, however, that Loesch had accused persons of assaulting him. Because of the man's serious physical condition there was some question as to his sanity. The Coroner announced his intention to investigate the case.

Indian Association Conference.

The Women's National Indian Association began its annual conference yesterday at the Lafayette Avenue Presbyterian Church, Brooklyn. The Rev. Theodore L. Cuyler of Brooklyn made the opening address at the evening service. Francis E. Leupp of Washington spoke on "The Next Government Help Needed." Mrs. A. S. Quinton of Philadelphia talked on the work of the association, and several other addresses were made. The business sessions of the conference will be held to-day at the church, and other exercises will be continued to-night and to-morrow.

Cut His Lip and Lost His Mustache.

As Ernest Weinholdt, a butcher, was ascending the steps in front of his home at 528 West Fifty-third Street last night, he slipped and fell, splitting his lip open. He walked to Roosevelt Hospital, where the surgeon told him he would have to shave the luxuriant mustache which was Weinholdt's pride. The injured man emphatically refused, and left the hospital, but finally yielding to the entreaties of his friends, returned and submitted to the sacrifice.

Fatally Stricken on the Street.

Horace F. Chickering, a painter, who has lately been living at 173 Park Row, was stricken with epilepsy last evening at Park Row and Pearl Street, and died in Hudson Street Hospital. His widow lives at 175 Liberty Street, Lynn, Mass.

MARRIED SIXTY YEARS.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Cohen's Eighty-six Descendants Celebrated the Occasion with a Surprise Party.

There was a happy family gathering last evening at the Harlem Lyceum, One Hundred and Seventh Street and Third Avenue, the occasion being the sixtieth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. Bernard H. Cohen, old and respected residents of Harlem. Four generations were represented at the celebration, which was the more enjoyable from the fact that it was a complete surprise to the old folks. They were invited to the hall to participate in what they supposed was an engagement party, and when they arrived there they found their six children, sixty grandchildren, and twenty great-grandchildren waiting to greet them.

The hall was artistically decorated for the occasion, and two long tables were prepared for 100 guests. At the head of one table were two chairs reserved for the old couple, and on the table in front of them were the many offerings of the numerous family. Both Mr. and Mrs. Cohen are in their seventy-ninth year, and were born and married in Holland at the age of nineteen years. They came to this country in 1864, and shortly after Mr. Cohen started in the wholesale cigar business. The venture was successful, and he retired almost fifteen years ago with a snug fortune. Fourteen children were born to the couple, four boys and two girls of which are living and married.

Two of the most honored guests last evening were Miss Betsy Coppuis, ninety years of age, who was a schoolmate of Mrs. Cohen and who attended her wedding, silver and golden weddings. The other honored guest was Miss Bella Van Gilder, the youngest great grandchild of the couple, who is only seven weeks old, and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Van Gilder of Brooklyn, N. Y.

The sons and daughter-in-laws present were Mrs. Louis Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. M. B. Cohen, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cohen. Daughters and son-in-laws, Mr. and Mrs. D. A. Van Gilder, and Mr. and Mrs. M. Butt; grandchildren, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mascot, Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Schaefer, Mr. and Mrs. Wallfish, Mrs. R. Wolf, Mr. and Mrs. James Frank, Mr. and Mrs. H. Frank, and Mr. and Mrs. L. Frank, and their children.

Supper was served at 8 o'clock, after which addresses were made by both Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Cohen, Moses B. Cohen, the youngest son of the couple, and other members of the family. Music was furnished by Prof. Leyser's orchestra, and the festivities were kept up till a late hour.

FARMER McCANN'S SURPRISE.

His Lost Pocketbook, Found Under His Pillow, Contained More Than He Supposed.

A tall man, evidently a farmer, with a long, gray beard, shabby coat that reached almost to his heels, but neither shoes nor stockings, rushed into the East Thirty-fifth Street Police Station at 1 o'clock yesterday morning and announced that he had been robbed.

The man was excited and anxious to tell the story of his life. It took about two hours for him to straighten out the tangle, tell that he was James McCann, a farmer, of Pittsfield, Mass.; that he had come to the city three days ago, stopped at the Sherman Hotel, 152 East Forty-second Street, and that while he was there $2,200 which he carried with him had disappeared.

Three detectives went over to the hotel and searched the room which had been occupied by the man. After the place had been turned topsy-turvy, one of the detectives happened to lift up a pillow from the bed. Under it was a pocketbook about a foot long, and which, instead of the $2,200 the farmer claimed to have lost, contained $2,800 in bills.

McCann shrieked with delight at the sight of his wealth. But when told that there was $600, more than he claimed, he looked thoughtful for a moment, and remarked: "Well, by gosh, you police fellows are great!"

The man said his cousin, John McCann, lived at 507 East Eighty-first Street. The police sent for him, and he took charge of the farmer and his money.

FARMERS BECOMING CITIFIED.

Jamaica Electric Company Will Light the Country Roads.

JAMAICA, L. I., Dec. 12.—The Jamaica Electric Light Company a year ago obtained a franchise which is now believed to be very valuable in view of the recent extension of the lighting district decreed by the officials.

The new district takes in the county roads which, while sparsely settled and running through farm and wood land, are much used. Farmers on their way to market and cyclists are the ones most using these roads at night. Between 500 and 700 arc lights, it is estimated, will be required to properly light the thoroughfares. It appears the Jamaica company was granted the exclusive franchise for erecting poles and wires over these roads, and it is now claimed that no matter who is the lowest bidder for the contract of lighting the roads, he will have to treat with the old company before erecting the plant.

Manager Williamson of the company says there will be no trouble on this score, as his company will underbid any one. It already has a large plant, and the additions would not have to be large, as the plant is capable of carrying a much heavier load than it has been doing in the past.

DEDICATION AT EAST ORANGE.

Opening of the Catholic Church of St. Mary, Help of Christians.

ORANGE, Dec. 12.—The new Catholic Church of St. Mary, Help of Christians, in East Orange, was dedicated to-day. It is one of the handsomest houses of worship in the State and has cost nearly $150,000. It is built almost entirely of white marble, in the French type of Gothic architecture, and is richly ornamented. The Rev. John P. Callaghan is the pastor.

Bishop Wigger of the Diocese of Newark conducted the dedicatory ceremonies, and the celebrant at the Pontificial high mass was the Apostolic Delegate, Archbishop Martinelli. The sermon was preached by Bishop B. J. McQuaid of Rochester. Archbishop Corrigan of New York, Bishop Gabriels of Ogdensburg, Mgr. De Cincilio of Jersey City, and Mgr. Doane of Newark were present.

National Board of Trade.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The National Board of Trade, which numbers among its members the principal Boards of Trade and kindred commercial bodies of the country, will meet here to-morrow to organize for its regular session, which will open Tuesday. A number of important matters will be brought up for consideration. The Chicago Board of Trade will advocate a law to govern the sale and manufacture of mixed flour, a measure somewhat similar in scope to the regulations governing the sale of oleomargarine and filled cheese. The Boston Chamber of Commerce, it is understood, will advocate a new pooling bill. The work of the Monetary Commission probably will be considered.

Women Rescue a Prisoner.

Detective De Clark of Jersey City broke up a growler gang at Varick and Gilchrist Streets at 1 o'clock yesterday morning. With the assistance of two other patrolmen, whom he called to his aid, he took two of the gang to the Gregory Street Police Station. He then went back and arrested a third man, but four women who came from a tenement house near by surrounded and held him until the prisoner escaped, the officer being loth to use his club. Warrants will be issued to-day for the arrest of the amazons.

Mark Hanna Has Recovered.

Senator Mark Hanna was said at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel last night, to have recovered from the cold from which he had been suffering for several days.

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BANKRUPTCY IN THE HOUSE

Probable that the Bill Prepared by Representative Henderson of Iowa Will Be Approved.

PASSED THE HOUSE ONCE

Provisions of the Measure Set Forth by Its Author—Its Design to Prevent Frauds and to Help Honest Men.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—At an early day, but probably not before the holiday recess, the House of Representatives may consider bankruptcy legislation. The subcommittee of the Committee on the Judiciary assigned by the Chairman, Representative David B. Henderson of Iowa, to undertake the preliminary work, has been devoting careful attention to the subject, and a report from the sub-committee, and possibly two reports from the entire Judiciary Committee, may be looked for. The Senate bill, which was passed in circumstances considered adverse by the members who had favored the Torrey bill, is what is known in the House as the Bailey bill. It has supporters in the Judiciary Committee, but not a majority of that committee, and it will be reported simply to allow the minority of the committee to set forth its views. There is reason to believe the bill which will be reported is that introduced Dec. 6 by Mr. Henderson. It is not a new bill. It is the measure brought before the Fifty-fourth Congress by Mr. Henderson and by that body sent to the Senate with a decisive vote. It is not like the Bailey bill which is one for voluntary bankruptcy, and it does not resemble the Nelson bill in the Senate, a measure with which the author became dissatisfied on account of its immaturity was pointed out to him.

Mr. Henderson considers his bill suited in all respects to answer to the Constitutional requirement that there shall be a uniform system of bankruptcy for the United States. Mr. Henderson said to the correspondent of THE NEW YORK TIMES to-day:

"My bill, already passed by one Congress, is entirely along the lines of and friendly to the principles embodied in the Torrey bill. Everybody knows the Torrey bill, but very few people know what there is in it. To undertake to tell in a few lines what would be me to try to do that in a few moments which I required parts of five days to do in the House.

"The bill is for involuntary bankruptcy because it is plain that the men who supply the goods with which other men do business are entitled to have something to say about the disposition of their assets in case they fail in business.

"There are some changes in the bill from former laws. Some of them are made in response to suggestions offered by Judge Torrey himself. Operatives, clerks and servants, under the act of 1867, were allowed a fifty-dollar exemption. This bill makes the exemption $100. Under the law of 1867 it was possible to move to put a man in involuntary bankruptcy when he owed $300. Under this bill of mine the debtor must be owing $1,000. There are no limitations to a voluntary bankruptcy. The costs and fees are reduced to the minimum. The expensive features of the act of 1867, which more than anything else drove it from the statute books, have been swept away.

"By the act of 1867 the title to the property of a debtor passed to the assignee as of the date of the filing of the petition. It might be many months, or even a year, before an adjudication could be finally had; and people dealing with the man attacked in bankruptcy did not know, if they bought anything, whether they were getting good title or bad.

"We have aimed to radically change that. The alleged bankrupt may buy and sell and give perfect title up to the date that he is adjudicated a bankrupt. And we have not gone too far. We have not been so thoughtless as to afford the bankrupt a chance to let his stock run down and to put the proceeds in his pocket. The bill provides that if the creditor sees that condition of things going on he can first file an affidavit alleging the commission of one or more acts of bankruptcy; second, give bond to indemnify the alleged bankrupt if the creditor's allegations do not turn out to be true, and then the Court issues a warrant to the Marshal and he takes possession of the property.

"To go into the details would take me all day, and then no one would read what I had said. But the purpose of the bill is to treat men in business fairly. If a man attempts to go into bankruptcy, hope to cheat him; if he desires to get on his feet again and do business honestly, the bill will help him. It provides for 'composition' where the law of 1867 provided for arbitration.

"As to fees, the clerk gets $10 for all his work until the case is settled and nothing more after settlement. That interests him to bring about a speedy settlement. The trustee gets $5 and the referee $10 when the case is closed. When the case is finally closed each gets his commissions.

"The act of 1867 would not discharge a debtor until he had paid 50 per cent., unless a majority of the creditors recommended otherwise. My bill requires no percentage. But it will not protect scoundrels. It is not made for that purpose.

"There is no provision for imprisonment for debt, as has been erroneously asserted. There is a clause that provides that if a man is about to run away, and by affidavit it is shown that his absconding will defeat the operation of the law, the court may issue a warrant for his arrest. Then he can only be held until he gives bail. If the bankrupt refuses to be examined he may be fined not for being in debt but for contempt.

"I claim for the bill that it is so simple that one who is not a lawyer can understand it. It will not make us crazy, as did the act of 1867, trying to understand and apply its provisions. The men who helped to frame it have tried to profit by experience and to frame a bankrupt bill so simple that the court or counsel or business man could understand it. It is not for the South or the North, the East or the West, but for the whole country. I think its provisions are in full accord with the conscience and intelligence of the Nation."

The vote on the passage of the Henderson bill in the Fifty-fourth Congress was 157 to 81. Mr. Henderson believes that it will be passed again, and by almost as large a majority.

SHOOTING AT JOHNSTOWN.

A Jealous Husband Wounds His Rival and Himself.

GLOVERSVILLE, N. Y., Dec. 12.—Two years ago last August Samuel Mills of Johnstown, in a fit of jealousy, shot his wife and then attempted suicide by cutting his throat. Both recovered, and Mills was sent to the Albany penitentiary. He was released recently, and returned to Johnstown.

During his absence Mrs. Mills had received attentions from a notorious character known as "Nigger Denmark." Last night Mills went to his wife's home, and finding Denmark there, drew his revolver and shot at his wife as she ran from the house shrieking "murder." The bullet passed through her clothing, not injuring her. Mills then returned to the house and shot Denmark, the bullet lodging in his left eye. Mills then put two bullets in his own head, from which he will die. Denmark is seriously injured, but probably will recover.

Issues Lost His Pin; Friend Arrested.

A diamond stud, valued at $50, and belonging to Isidore Isaacs of 21 Avenue C, is missing. How it disappeared is a mystery, although August Dishart of 515 East Fifteenth Street says that he saw Benjamin Bloom of 28 Avenue C, with whom Isaacs was in conversation in front of the latter's residence, place his hand against Isaac's shirt front. Isaacs made a complaint in the East Fifth Street Station House, and just as he was leaving the station house with two detectives, Bloom came up to deny that he had taken the stone. He was searched, but the diamond was not found. He was locked up.

How Timothy Escaped a Fine.

A majority of the Kelly family, three brothers—John, Patrick, and Timothy—were in Essex Market Police Court yesterday charged with breaking a glass door in the Bowery. They admitted they had been celebrating. John was fined $5 and Patrick $3. Timothy was allowed to go free, he having pleaded with the Judge not to fine the whole family.

Count and Countess de Gallifet Here.

Among the passengers who arrived yesterday on the French Line steamship La Gascogne were the Count and Countess de Gallifet. The Count is a son of General the Marquis de Gallifet, formerly head of the French Army. The Countess is the daughter of Frederick W. Stevens, and she and her husband are here to visit her family.

RUSH FOR NAVAL PAY CORPS.

Secretary Long Takes Refuge from Pressure in a New System of Examinations.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Secretary of the Navy Long has before him some 150 applications for appointment to the Pay Corps of the navy. These applications come from all sources, but notably from the sons of naval officers of high degree. These sons were unable, for different reasons, to get into the navy through the Naval Academy, and it has been their desire, and possibly the ambition of their sires, that they should enter the Pay Corps and seek the advancement in that body that is more rapid and with more comfortable and lucrative duty than is enjoyed in the line or in other staff corps.

Several sons of Admirals and other officers have been named for the Pay Corps in recent years, some of them quite recently. They have secured their appointments by the exercise of that superior influence that goes with the frequency of access to authority enjoyed by the higher officers. It has not always turned out, however, that the sons of officers make the best paymasters. A need for business instincts and some business capacity and training are desirable, if not absolutely indispensable, for a good pay officer.

There are now but two vacancies in sight in the Pay Corps. With 150 names to select from, and pressure for the selection of a few of them out of all proportion to the opportunities for appointment or the merit of the applicants, the Secretary has been almost at his wits' end to dispose of the matter. But the distress to which he has been subjected by the importunity of influential applicants has driven him to avoid the odium of partiality to fall back upon a solution. Hereafter, in filling vacancies in the Pay Corps he will choose the candidates after they have submitted to and passed an examination upon papers prepared by members of the Pay Corps, thus affording the applicants a chance to show how well they are prepared to discharge the duties of the office.

Applicants for admission to the Pay Corps must not be less than twenty-one nor more than twenty-six years of age. They must pass a physical examination and present testimonials of good character. They must also be able to read and write and to show a degree of familiarity with English grammar. They will be examined in geography, literature, American history, Constitutional history, European history, international law, commercial arithmetic and exchange, bookkeeping, algebra, political economy, natural science, modern languages, and elective subjects to be named by the candidates. The weights given to branches of this examination show that bookkeeping stands high in importance. The average is multiplied by the weights, and the standing is obtained by dividing the product of multiplication by relative weights and dividing the product by the sum of the relative weights. No candidate will be passed who shall not have attained an average of at least 90 in arithmetic and in grammar, 85 in bookkeeping and in writing, orthography and in English composition, and a general average of at least 80.

The outcome of the first examination will be looked for with interest. The situation is one of relief to Secretary Long. To friends of applicants it is distressing. One of these recently called upon the Secretary to urge him to appoint a son of a once prominent naval officer. All the reasons given before by such men were repeated. Great stress was placed upon the service of the father of the young man. The importance of securing even in the Pay Corps an inherited taste for naval life was dwelt upon, and with a forlorn hope Secretary Long unbosomed himself in support of the proposition to obtain pay officers through a competition examination. The friend of the applicant left in utter dejection.

MISS MULCHAHEY A SUICIDE.

Daughter of the Late Rector of St. Paul's Chapel Found Hanging from a Door in a Brooklyn Lodging.

Miss Mary Grace Mulchahey, daughter of the late Rev. Dr. Mulchahey, of St. Paul's Chapel, in this city, committed suicide yesterday in a furnished room at 11 St. James Place, Brooklyn. Miss Mulchahey, who was forty-five years old, formerly kept house for her father. He died several months ago, and she has since been living at the St. James Place address with the family of Charles Schlegel.

Miss Mulchahey was in comfortable circumstances, but was exceedingly despondent about her health. She had been an invalid for a long time, and of late had ailed more and more. For the past month or two she had been suffering greatly, and her illness seemed to be increasing. She often spoke of her troubles to her sister, Mrs. Martha Luther of 297 Ryerson Street, Brooklyn, who frequently visited her and attempted to console her.

Mrs. Luther called on her sister yesterday morning and found the door locked. She called, but received no reply, and becoming alarmed, summoned Mrs. Schlegel. After repeated calls and knockings, Mrs. Schlegel broke in the door. Mrs. Mulchahey was hanging from a closet door with a rope around her neck, and an overturned chair lay near by.

GOT WHAT THEY WENT TO SEE.

Spectators of a Public Baptism in Manasquan Become the Victims of Involuntary Immersion.

MANASQUAN, N. J., Dec. 12.—While witnessing a baptism in the Manasquan River this afternoon several people were thrown suddenly into the river. No one was injured. The ceremony which attracted the spectators was the baptism of eleven candidates for admission to the Baptist Church of this place. The Rev. Henry B. Cross officiated.

The news of the public baptism had spread, and 400 or 500 persons gathered at the scene this afternoon. The ceremony took place near the dock on Capt. Pierce's place. The dock is a small one, extending out into the river about thirty-five feet. It is not a substantial structure, being intended only to permit access to boats tied to its end.

The minister had just finished his address, and was about to lead the first candidate into the water, when there was a rush to get out on the little dock so as to obtain a better view of the proceedings. The water deepens slowly, and the candidates had to walk some distance out from the shore. There were about sixty or seventy persons on the outer end of the bridge, and more were crowding out upon it, when the first span from the shore gave way. On this span there were eighteen or twenty persons. Before they could turn and run back the second section collapsed, and they were thrown into the water. The water was not more than two feet deep, but there was a layer of mud under it.

All the spectators had attired themselves in their best clothes, and while they escaped injury, all had their apparel ruined. Some of them were women. They were hauled out of the mud and water and taken to nearby houses to dry their clothing and recover from the effects of the sudden immersion. Those on the outer end of the dock were prisoners, being unable to reach the shore because of the collapsed span. They had to remain where they were until a boat was procured.

After this accident, which caused a delay of the ceremonies, the immersion of the candidates was proceeded with.

Pittsburg Club Going South.

PITTSBURG, Penn. Dec. 12.—President Watkins has selected Little Rock, Ark., as the place for the Pittsburg Club to train, and they leave for that place March 7. The object was to get a place which would be neither too cold nor too warm.

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THIS WEEK IN CONGRESS

Programme of Work to be Done in the Two Houses Before the Holiday Recess.

MANY IMPORTANT MATTERS UP

Likely to be Discussions as to the Civil Service Law in the Senate as Well as the House—Seal Question and Immigration.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—If the present programme is carried out Congress will adjourn for the holiday recess next Saturday.

The week in the House promises to be made memorable by the beginning of the war against the civil service law. The Legislative, Executive, and Judicial Appropriation bill, which will be taken up Tuesday, contains the regular appropriations for the Civil Service Commission, and whether or not all the members who favor the repeal or modification of the law unite to strike down the provision for its maintenance as the quickest and most direct method of crippling its operation, undoubtedly some will advocate this course, and the whole civil service question will be dragged into the arena of debate.

How long this debate will last it is impossible to predict, but as this is the only item in the bill which attracts much of a contest, Chairman Cannon hopes and believes the bill can be passed before Saturday. Saturday, under an order made last Thursday, has been set aside for paying tribute to the memory of the late Representative Cooke of Illinois.

To-morrow, Chairman Hitt of the Foreign Affairs Committee, will try again to secure the passage of the bill to prohibit pelagic sealing by citizens of the United States. There is some very strong opposition to the passage of this measure in its present form, and the whole question of the Bering Sea negotiations may be precipitated when it is called up.

Mr. Hopkins of Illinois, and other members, favor a limitation on the period of the operation of the act, if it is to be passed, so that in case Great Britain refuses similarly to restrict her citizens, citizens of this country may not be placed at a disadvantage. Others like Mr. Johnson of North Dakota think the extinguishment of the seal herds in the near future is certain, and are not disposed to favor any legislation looking to their preservation.

The work of the Senate so far as it has been mapped out for the week includes the consideration of the Immigration bill, which stands on the calendar as the unfinished business, the probable debate of the Census bill, and the pronouncing of eulogies upon the late Representative Holman of Indiana.

The general opinion among friends of the measure is that there will be no strenuous opposition to the Immigration bill, and that it may be passed after a brief debate. When a similar bill was before the Senate last session it had its principal opponent in Senator Gibson of Maryland. As he has retired from the Senate the friends of the bill are hopeful that no one will be found who will feel called upon to champion the opposition.

They remember, however, that when it was necessary in order to have the bill become a law to pass it over the President's veto the two-thirds vote requisite for that purpose could not be secured. Hence, while they see no lack of the speedy and favorable consideration of the bill they realize the possibility of delay on account of opposing speeches. There appears to be no reason to doubt that when the vote shall be reached the bill will pass.

By special arrangement between Senators Carter and Lodge, in charge respectively of the two bills, the Immigration bill will be displaced temporary on Tuesday in order to give Mr. Carter an opportunity to call up the bill providing for the next census. When this agreement was made last Thursday, Senator Carter expressed the opinion that brief debate would be necessary to get his bill through, but there are now some indications that the civil service question will be raised in this connection, and if it should, a prolonged debate may be inaugurated.

The friends of annexation on the Committee on Foreign Relations expect now to ask the Senate to take up the treaty during the week, though quite well aware of the impossibility of securing final action before the holidays. They may postpone their request for consideration until January.

The Senate leaders express themselves as agreeable to the House programme for adjournment for the holidays on Saturday.

CONGRESS AND THE INDIANS.

Talk of Legislation to Settle the Indian Territory Troubles.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The indications are that this Congress will pass a general bill for the entire rehabilitation of Indian Territory. The plan is to devise a measure that shall embrace everything that has been sought to be accomplished in the past by the Dawes Indian commission, which is still negotiating with the five civilized tribes, but which will be here next week to report discouraging conditions.

It is proposed to draft a bill to cover all the questions of citizenship, allotment of lands, disposition of town sites, mineral lands, full jurisdiction of the United States courts over the present reservations, and other matters bearing on the extinguishment of tribal organization. The first steps in the matter have been taken by the Indian committees of both the Senate and House.

It is understood that in a few days there will be a joint session of sub-committees of the Senate and the House, at which all these matters will be gone over for the purpose of preparing a way for the settlement of the Indian problems by Congressional enactment. In view of the large amount of work necessary to be done, however, it is not probable any bill can be passed until well toward the end of the session.

G. G. HUBBARD'S FUNERAL

Washingtonian Who Had a Large Acquaintance Among Public Men.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The funeral of Gardiner Green Hubbard will be held at the Church of the Covenant to-morrow afternoon. Services will be conducted by the Rev. Dr. Hamlin. Mr. Hubbard was President of the Board of Trustees of the Church of the Covenant from the time it was organized.

The honorary pall bearers will be Justice Brown of the United States Supreme Court, Senator Hoar, ex-Senator Dawes, President Gilman of Johns Hopkins University, President Whitman of Columbian University, ex-Secretary John W. Foster, ex-Secretary Herbert, Prof. Langley of the Smithsonian Institution, Prof. Newcomb of the Naval Observatory, Major Powell of the Bureau of Ethnology, Anthony Pollock, and James E. Fitch.

The active pall bearers will be the sixteen officers and members of the Board of Management of the National Geographic Society, as follows: Gen. A. W. Greely, Marcus Baker, William H. Dall, C. Hart Merriam, Prof. C. K. Gilbert, H. S. Ogden, Everett Hayden, Henry Gannett, H. F. Blount, W. J. McGee, C. W. Dabney, F. H. Newell, David T. Day, W. B. Powell, John Hyde, and John B. Wight.

Seats will be reserved in the church for the Regents of the Smithsonian Institution, the Trustees of the Columbian University and the Church of the Covenant, and the officials of other organizations to which Mr. Hubbard belonged, and for Mr. Hubbard's personal friends in the Supreme Court, the United States Senate, and the House of Representatives.

Memorial Services for William Phelps

Memorial services in honor of William Phelps were held yesterday in the Epiphany Baptist Church, Sixty-fourth Street and Madison Avenue. Mr. Phelps was for thirty years a deacon of Epiphany Church, and was for twenty-five years Superintendent of the Sunday school. His death occurred recently at Montclair, N. J. The Rev. Dr. H. G. Weston, President of the Crozier Theological Seminary, Philadelphia, and the Rev. Dr. Robert S. MacArthur, pastor of Calvary Baptist Church, made addresses in eulogy of Mr. Phelps, and the Rev. Howard L. Jones, pastor of the church, also spoke. A letter was read from the Rev. Dr. J. F. Elder of Albany, formerly pastor of Epiphany Church. In the congregation were George Lisk, Horace Childs, Dr. E. T. Hanks, George Conklin, William H. Clark, L. H. Niles, and William M. Isaac, President of the Baptist City Mission.

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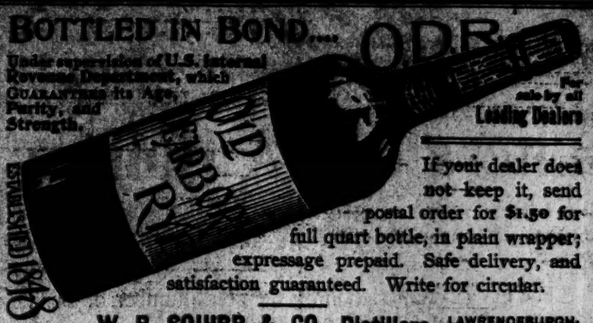

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COL. DADY'S NEW AMBITION.

Rumor Says He Has Joined the Booth Dramatic Society to Acquire Histrionic Honors—Buttling's View.

The news that "Col." Michael J. Dady has joined the Booth Dramatic Society has caused a considerable flutter in Brooklyn political circles. The Booth is one of the leading organizations of the city. There is a rumor that Chairman De Levante of the Dramatic Committee is trying to get Lieut. Gov. Woodruff to join, but it cannot be verified.

"It doesn't surprise me," said Sheriff Buttling yesterday. "Mike has long had Thespian tendencies, and I am informed that his ambition is to play romantic parts, for which his physique peculiarly fits him. The day of the slim and willowy hero is passing, and we need more rotund Romeos. If Mr. Woodruff joins, an effort will be made to induce them to play the two Dromios in the 'Comedy of Errors.' Do I think Dady will make a success? Why, of course I do. He's one of the best actors on the political stage now. He played the heavy tragedy in the last campaign, while Woodruff supplied the comedy."

Mr. Worth smiled when the matter was mentioned to him, but refused to discuss it. One of his lieutenants dissented from Buttling's view that "Col." Dady was peculiarly fitted for romantic parts, and said he thought the statesman would make a hit as the elephant in "Wang."

HOG ABATTOIR DENOUNCED.

A Jersey City Pastor Inveighs Against the Proposed Slaughter House and Attacks the Railroads.

The Rev. John C. Scudder, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Jersey City, in his sermon last night, inveighed against the proposed mammoth hog abattoir, which, it is rumored, is to be built at the foot of Jersey Avenue.

He designated the abattoir as a "threatening nuisance," and pointed out the evil effects of maintaining a slaughter house in a residential portion of the city. He connected the abattoir movement with the railroad corporations, and said that the railroads had been the curse of Jersey City.

"Although possessed of unlimited funds," said Dr. Scudder "they do not bear their share of the taxes and their managers sit in their easy chairs and ask us what we are going to do about it. If the monopolists put through the present scheme I should not be surprised to see the people resort to violence. If the officials allow this building to go up they will be traitors to their trusts. They used to hang traitors, but we should be satisfied if, in this case, the offenders were treated to tar and feathers and made to march the Boulevard."

UPSET BY A TROLLEY.

Jersey Officials Painfully Hurt While Driving in a Fog.

Ralph Earl, Town Surveyor of Union Hill, and John P. Noonan, Assistant Clerk of the Board of Freeholders, who lives at 629 Pavonia Avenue, Jersey City, drove to Bergen Point Saturday afternoon. They were returning along the Hudson Boulevard at 12:30 Sunday morning, just after a very heavy fog had settled down over the city.

When they reached Communipaw Avenue they drove into a trolley car of the Consolidated Traction Company, on its way from Newark, which they could not see owing to the mist. The wagon was upset and wrecked. Noonan and Earl were badly cut and bruised. They were taken to the house of Daniel Y. Lewis, where they were attended by Dr. Pyle, and afterward were sent to their homes. The horse, which is owned by Mr. Earl, was badly cut on the forelegs, but was not seriously hurt.

ALLEGED SWINDLER ARRESTED.

Bought $1,125 of Bicycles on False Statements Last February.

W. H. W. Howell of Fifty-sixth Street, near Thirteenth Avenue, Brooklyn, was arrested at his home on Saturday by a Deputy Sheriff and taken to Raymond Street Jail. He is charged with getting goods on credit and selling them, and the complaint is made by Wilson Brothers' Wooden Ware and Toy Company of 119 Chambers Street, this city. It is alleged that in February, 1896, Howell bought from them $1,125 worth of bicycles, getting thirty days' credit on a statement of assets amounting to $10,440 over all liabilities.

The statement was signed by M. G. Howell and C. Scelle. Howell never made a payment, and when suit was brought it was found that M. G. Howell was his wife, and that the real estate which constituted most of the alleged assets was involved in foreclosure proceedings. Meanwhile, according to the complaint, the bicycles had been disposed of by Howell. Soon after this Howell disappeared and was found in October, 1896, at Huntington, L. I. He promised to pay in installments, but again disappeared within a week.

He was afterward discovered at 400 Bainbridge Street, Brooklyn, and judgment was taken against him for $1,431 in the Supreme Court. Howell meanwhile moved away from Bainbridge Street. He was located in Blythebourne, where he was arrested on Saturday.

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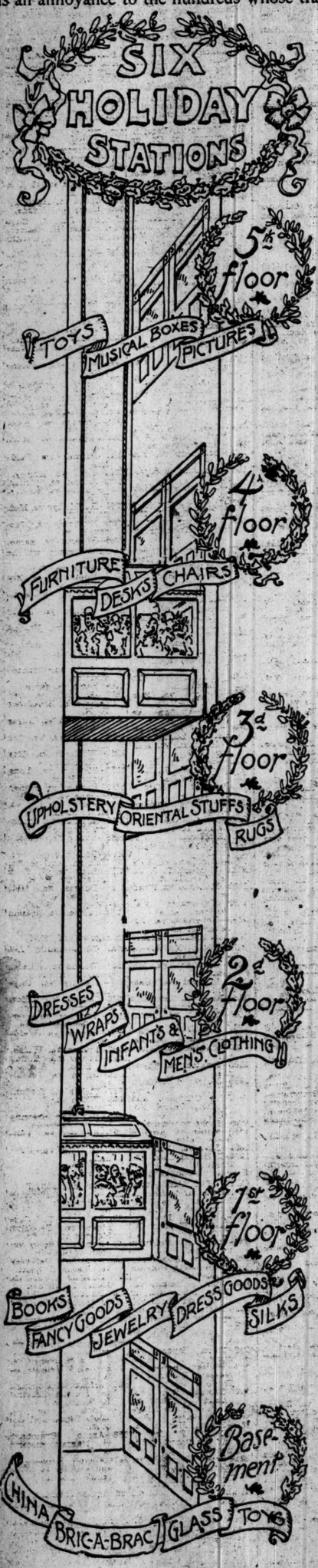
By lavish expenditure and carefully planned organization we propose to make our restaurant worthy of the general high character of our business.

Attractions: Picture Gallery, Colossal Santa Claus, Christmas Greens, Angora Cats, Tableau representing the Dream of Santa Claus.



TOYS.—It makes your head swim—moving animals, trolley cars, real steam engines, trains of cars, with real switches, boats, singing birds, merry-go-rounds, drums, games, wagons, blocks, china tea sets, magic lanterns, military uniforms,—everything.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS.—Apollo harps, that can be played in any key, and can't make anything but perfect harmony. Autoharps, guitars, mandolins, violins, banjos; music boxes, from 50c. to $7.50. And the Graphophone.

PICTURES.—All the latest colored photographs, engravings, and water-colors; some of these are very fine.

HOLIDAY BAZAAR.—Albums, fancy boxes, handkerchiefs, children's books, pipes, and smokers' goods.

GALLERY OF IMPORTANT MODERN PICTURES.—Much more than one-half of the number exhibited have taken medals or honorable mention at the Paris Salon.

RESTAURANT will be open ten o'clock this morning.

TABLEAU: THE DREAM OF SANTA CLAUS.—In a dim light, suggestive of night, Santa Claus sits fast asleep and dreams of the story of a year, as marked by the holidays. Within the great glass case are shown, by scenery and figures, the visions of the patron saint of Christmas. It's amusing and beautiful—see it.

PARLOR TABLES.—75 styles of mahogany parlor tables, with inlaid and marquetry tops; square top, with inlaid lines, $5.50; round top, French legs, $7; fancy shaped marquetry top, 20 by 30 in., twisted legs, $9; 29 in., round marquetry top, inlaid lines and legs, $22.50; white mahogany, Louis XV. style, marquetry top, inlaid sides, $25.

WOMEN'S DESKS.—200 styles, in polished woods, carved and inlaid.

PARLOR CABINETS.—Vernis Martin and solid mahogany.

ORIENTAL DRAPERIES.—The Oriental Room is a study in itself. One feels the atmosphere of the luxurious, dreamy East. Suggestions for cozy corners and for the treatment of doorways, walls, and furniture, abound here.

A large purchase of Eastern stuffs is just here—six weeks late; and they must be sold in a hurry, and are priced accordingly. Merut, Farukhabad, and Java print curtains, with that crude but inimitable beauty that moderns cannot reproduce; Merut friezes, lively strips of brightness for top draperies; mohair cross-stripe curtains, Turkish silk and embroidered curtains, very effective for draping panels and windows. No room for prices; but they are remarkably low for these elegant goods.

RUGS.—Oriental and domestic rugs, a rare collection to choose from.

CATS.—Live ones—Pure Angoras, from Walnut Ridge Farms. They're for sale.

FURS.—Four rich gifts:—1, Blue fox sets, muff, with large head and tail, animal shaped boa, $26.50 the set; electric seal scarf, $6.50; krimmer collarette, $10; Alaska sable collarette, $22.50.

BABIES' WEAR.—Nothing is quite fine enough for the Ruler of the Household, of course—but the finest that's to be had is here: Exquisite long dresses of fine nainsook ($2.25), Victoria lawn ($4), sheer lawn and lace ($8.75); dainty sacques of flannel, embroidered (50c), cashmere ($1), silk crepon ($2.25), and finer ones up to $6.75; little wrappers of fine cashmere ($2.75), and same exquisitely embroidered ($5 and $7.)

Any of these put up in pretty boxes without charge.

FRENCH FLANNEL SACQUES.—There's an easy elegance about the better sort that makes them charming Christmas gifts.

Here are some that are especially suitable:—At $2 (edges flossed with silk), $2.50 (same in figured flannels), $3.75 (braid trimmed), $3.75 (buttoning down side), $4.50 (fine plaits), $6 (velvet ribbon and insertion)

SILKS.—Waist, skirt, and dress patterns, 4¼ to 16 yards. Wise men buy them for gifts.

DRESS PATTERNS.—Wool stuffs, put up in neat boxes, ample material for the gown and garniture, $2.50 to $6 a pattern; cotton stuffs, in ten-yard lengths, neatly banded, 60c. to $1.25 a pattern.

GLOVES.—"Princess May" gloves for women, of real kid, $1 a pair—and you will have a long search to match that gift; "Dauphine" kids, the finest that can be made, $1.75; six sorts of Fownes gloves for men, $1.50; and gloves of fur, of leather with fur tops, of leather, furlined, etc.

HANDKERCHIEFS.—Are you hard to suit? 2,300 sorts here—every kind but cotton. Some at half usual prices.

TABLE LINENS.—Cloth with one dozen napkins, in boxes, $3.10, $3.50, $5.50, up to—anything you like, and pretty fringed sets, white or colors, boxed.

CUT GLASS.—A magnificent display of the richest cut glass, at exceptionally low prices.

BICYCLES.—Meti's and women's, boys' and girls', $22.50 up. A lot of 20 and 24-inch wheels, for boys and girls, $25; 26-inch, $28. Some 1897 Humbers, 20-inch frame, at $65.

BUILDING BLOCKS.—Stratton's—invented by a blind man. Demonstrator will show how to make twenty different toys.

PHONOGRAPH TOP.—One of the latest toys. You'll smile to hear it play "Yankee Doodle."

CANARY BIRDS.—Hartz Mountain male canaries, good singers, $1.50 each, and cages of all sorts.

JOHN WANAMAKER

Formerly A. T. Stewart & Co., Broadway, 4th ave., 9th and 10th sts.

WIFE SHOT HER HUSBAND.

Soloted Couple Quarreled and He Chased Her with an Axe.

JAMAICA, L. I., Dec. 12.—John Dorsey was shot and seriously wounded by his wife, Mary, this afternoon, after he had attacked and driven her from their home with an axe. She was not injured. The couple are colored, and live in what is known as Hogan's Alley, in Douglas Street. They quarreled this afternoon, and Dorsey grasped an axe and made for his wife. She ran from the house and he followed, hurling stones at her as she fled. Dorsey gained on her, and she finally stopped and drew a revolver from her dress. She fired. The shot entered Dorsey's left cheek and lodged in the neck near the jugular.

Dorsey was taken to the hospital and the bullet extracted. He is in a critical condition. Mrs. Dorsey was arrested and locked up.

Assaulted by His Sister's Lover.

SARATOGA, Dec. 12.—William A. Barrett, an insurance agent of Glens Falls, was locked up in the Warren County Jail last night charged with murderously assaulting Walter F. Welch, also of Glens Falls. Welch is in a critical condition. The assault occurred at Lake George, where Welch's mother and sister live, and it is understood that the trouble grew out of Welch objecting to Barrett visiting Miss Welch.

Date of "Cinderella" Postponed.

An important change is announced in the time for the production of the fairy operetta at the Metropolitan Opera House, originally fixed for the holiday week. With nearly one-half of the 2,000 volunteers already enrolled, and with accessions daily at the Opera House Hall by those who wish to take advantage of the free instruction given in singing and dancing, more time for rehearsals is required, and the first performance will be given on Saturday, Jan. 8, and the last on the following Friday. The Seton Hospital for Consumptives, St. John's Day Nursery, and St. Ann's Maternity Hospital, for whose benefit the entertainments are to be given, have many friends who are selling tickets and boxes.

AFTER THE SIX-DAY RACE

Most of the Riders in the Prolonged Contest Are in Good Condition.

LENGTH OF TRACK DISPUTED

Two Surveyors Under the Direction of Thomas L. Hamilton & Co., Contractors, Make Measurements, and Will Report and Submit Affidavits To-day.

All the contestants in the six-day bicycle race, which closed Saturday night at the Madison Square Garden, who could be seen yesterday, seemed to show but slight effects from the severe strain they had undergone for the past week. Some were in fact totally unaffected, while those who suffered most, were on the road to complete recovery.

Patrick Powers, one of the managers of the affair, said that the result of the race so far as the physical condition of the participants was concerned was extremely gratifying, and beyond all expectation. Nevertheless, he thought that the majority of the public did not approve of this test of endurance, both for the reason that it appeared for the time being brutal, and because there was too little to attract spectators in such a contest. The public, he declared, demanded exhibitions rather of speed than of endurance, and where men got as little sleep as they did during the last race, rapid riding could not be expected.

He gave it as his opinion that the next contest would be of shorter duration and that the men would be allowed to have a few hours' sleep every day.

As for the report that the track was short, Mr. Powers said he was not in a position to deny it. He had two surveyors under the direction of Thomas L. Hamilton & Co., contractors, measure the track yesterday, and the result of this work would be announced, accompanied by the affidavits of the men, this morning. He did not believe that it was short to any appreciable degree. Immediately after the race an unofficial measurement was made with a tape-line. The first time, Mr. Powers said, it was found to be nine feet over the required length. The second time it was found some feet short, and the last time it was found to be some 200 feet short. For that reason, he declared, no reliance could be placed on the measurements. The statement and affidavits of the surveyors, however, will be accepted as final.

Charles W. Miller, the winner of the race, spent most of yesterday in a Turkish bath. He had completely recovered from his exhaustion, and his appearance seemed to indicate that he had not suffered any permanent injury. His eyes were still somewhat inflamed, but otherwise he felt in good condition.

Joseph Rice, the Wilkesbarre man, who finished second, was found at the Putnam House. He was quite cheery, and said he was feeling well. Immediately after the race he went to a Turkish bath, and when he arose yesterday at 10 o'clock felt much refreshed. He intends going home in a few days, and will go back to his work of making bicycles.

Fred Schinner was at the Belvidere House resting comfortably. He said he felt no bad effects from his experience, and declared himself as quite willing to go through another such ordeal if the consideration were of the right proportion.

Teddy Hale said he gained three pounds during the race, and did not feel the exertion as much as he thought he would. At any rate, he declared he was in much better shape than when he finished last year.

Waller, Golden, Enterman, Elkes, Kinz, and Gannon are all in fair condition. Julius said he was ready to race again.

Of the two Frenchmen, Stephane and Riviere, the latter is the worse off. His injured leg is still in bandages, and he has not quite recovered from the shock of his fall.

It was announced last night that the riders would be paid off at noon to-day, and, in view of the financial success of the enterprise, every man that finished in the race and who did not make the requisite 1,350 miles would receive a purse of $100.

The foreigners who participated will receive all their expenses. The statement made by Riviere's trainer, that his charge had not met with the courtesy he was entitled to, and that a killing pace had been set purposely to drive him out of the race, met with an emphatic denial on the part of Mr. Powers. The latter declared that everything had been provided for the foreigners' comfort, and that they received as much consideration at the hands of the management as any of the Americans.

ORDERED BOGUS TICKETS.

Harry W. Wells Held on a Charge of Attempted Larceny.

Harry W. Wells, a ticket broker of 287 West Fortieth Street, was held in $500 bail yesterday in the Essex Market Police Court on a charge of attempted grand larceny. He was accused by Patrick Powers, one of the managers of the six-day bicycle race, and Charles N. Schroeder of the Madison Square Garden, of trying to obtain 2,000 tickets and fraudulently dispose of them to the public.

Last Saturday Wells is alleged to have given the printing firm of H. B. Ronald & Co., at Thirteenth and Hudson Streets, an order for 2,000 tickets of admission to the race, representing himself as A. J. Powers and saying that he had complete charge of the contest. He wanted the tickets done by 8 P. M.

Early in the afternoon, Mr. Ronald telephoned to the Madison Square Garden inquiring for some particulars as to the style of the tickets, and Mr. Powers informed him that no order had been given for tickets, as there were enough on hand. Mr. Ronald insisted that the order had been given and that it was discovered that the man who placed the order did so without authority.

When Wells called for the tickets at 3 o'clock he was arrested by Central Office Detective Doran, who was waiting for him. When he was searched, a rubber stamp was found, similar to the one used for stamping tickets at the Garden. In court he begged for time to produce witnesses as to his respectability, and his examination was set down for to-day.

MILLER WINS A WIFE.

Will Start Housekeeping on the Amount of Prizes He Won.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12.—It seems that Champion Miller had another incentive besides the prize at Madison Square. In fact, there is quite a romance behind the German's exertions in the six-day race. His main idea was to stand well in the eyes of a young woman, whose name is not given for publication, but who lives at Twelfth Street and Ogden Avenue, near Miller's home. She has promised to become Mrs. Miller, and, although the promise was not contingent upon his winning the race, it had a good deal to do with it, for they will begin housekeeping on the amount of the prizes he realized. The young woman is of Scotch parentage, and a good amateur rider. The date of the wedding is not fixed, but it will be on Miller's return.

Tiger Resented Familiarity.

Among the persons who studied the ways of the animals in Central Park yesterday was John E. Smith, whose home is at 120 Sussex Avenue, Newark, N. J. Mr. Smith fed peanuts to the tiger. Matters went all right until he tried to stroke the animal's head; then the tiger reached out. The result was several long and deep scratches along Smith's arm, which bled freely. As the injury was being dressed at the Presbyterian Hospital he remarked to the physician: "I thought he was a tame tiger; they're all tame ones down in Philadelphia."

Press Wheelmen's Smoker.

A successful smoker was given by the Press Wheelmen at their clubhouse, 12 Centre Street, Saturday night. Among those who contributed to the enjoyment of the occasion were John W. Armour, Julius Sumner, George Paxton, Joseph Quigley, William Germain, James Wall, Charles Roth, Samuel Dechant, John Stedman, John Shepherd, Henry White, W. F. Speer, C. O. Fisher, John J. Foley, G. W. Bleakman, and "Cleve" Noe. This club will soon move to new quarters, as the present place is inadequate for the increasing membership.

GOSSIP FOR HORSEMEN.

Driving Club of New York After New Track Property—Holland's Sale at the Garden—Notes.

A great many people met in touch with the affairs of the Driving Club of New York were of the opinion that since the club had lost its habitat at Fleetwood Park, at the annual meeting which was held on Thursday night at the Windsor Hotel its members would agree to adjourn sine die, and that if the interests of the light-harness horse in this city were to be looked after in the future, it would be on a new track, under the auspices of an entirely new club. But long association has knitted the members of the club into a firm relationship, and they decided that since the city has cut through the old track at Fleetwood Park the proper thing for them to do was to look about for a suitable site for a new track. An Executive Committee was appointed for the ensuing year, and in order that a rendezvous might be had until a new track and a new clubhouse could be secured, the old Carman homestead, at One Hundred and Seventy-fifth Street and Amsterdam Avenue, which overlooks the approach to the new speedway, was leased. John Monaghan has been placed in charge, and during the Winter the trotting men will have a spot here to gather around on cold days, even though the surroundings may not be so comfortable as at old Fleetwood. The new rendezvous, too, will be more convenient for the trotting men, for most of them will be daily patrons of the new speedway. The record of the club during the past year was a surprising one, for, although $10,300 in debt twelve months ago, the reports of the Secretary and Treasurer on Thursday night showed that this had been cleared, and that there was a surplus of $42 in the Treasury. Besides this surplus, the club has outstanding entrance accounts amounting to several thousands of dollars due, and a fair portion of it is sure to be paid shortly. If possible a new track near the city will be secured. A desirable site on the line of the Northern Railroad and another on the line of the Harlem Road have been looked at, and if after a survey has been made, it is found possible to build a mile track at either place, one or the other will probably be secured.

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The fact that the American Trotting Association has opened its gates to Robert T. Kneebs, whose notorious "ringing" on the trotting tracks of Europe has caused so many restrictions to be placed on American trotters abroad, does not mean that Kneebs will have all the trotting tracks of America thrown open to him. Since his return from Europe Kneebs has not had any too much luck, and the suspension of his expulsion by the American Trotting Association was an act of clemency, in order that he might have an opportunity of earning a living if he cares to race horses honestly. The view that the members of the Board of Review of the National Trotting Association took of the matter, however, differed materially, for at its semi-annual session held at the Murray Hill Hotel last week it passed resolutions denouncing Kneebs, and throwing upon his shoulders the blame for the annoying restrictions to which owners of American-bred trotters, in every part of Europe, except in Great Britain, are subjected.

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Auctioneer Peter C. Kellogg will hold his annual sale of trotting-bred horses at Madison Square Garden to-morrow, Wednesday, and Thursday, day and evening. Consignments from some of the best stock farms in the country are entered, and while the sale lists the Garden will be the Mecca of all the well-known trotting men in the East, and of some of the most prominent ones in the West. The European buyers—especially those from Vienna, Austria—will be bidders for the best of the stock offered. John H. Shults will sell some of the stallions and brood mares, with their get, from the Parkville Stock Farm, and Robert Bonner will dispose of a number of his best ones.

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A new top dressing of tanbark has been laid in the ring of the Central Park Riding Academy. New riders are being put on the books at both Durland's and the Central Park Riding Academy every day, and at the latter place it was found necessary last week to get an additional supply of horses. So many old riders, who deserted the bridle path a few years ago, have returned since the season opened that desirable mounts are at a premium, and many of the academy horses have been purchased for private use. New ones are being broken to saddle every day, and by the beginning of the year the demand will have been supplied.

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Terra Cotta, the brown son of Harry O'Fallon, who in 1886, 1887, and 1888 was one of the best horses in training on the American turf, was saved from an ignominious fate a few weeks ago by the tenderheartedness of Milton Young, the turfman. Terra Cotta is thirteen years old now, blind, and a failure as a sire, and when he was offered for sale at the Fall auction of thoroughbreds, at Lexington, recently, Milton Young bought him for $80. Useless for racing for any other purpose, the once gallant thoroughbred might have ended his days in the shafts of a huckster's wagon had Mr. Young not seen fit to buy him and send him to his McGrathania Stud to end his days in peace.

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Great efforts are being made by the associations owning racing property in New Jersey to have the courts upset the verdict rendered last election day against the racing interests. The racing men claim that they were made the victims by technicalities. There is an excellent chance of having a racing law passed at the next session at Trenton, if it is conservative and is modeled on the lines of the Percy-Gray law in this State.

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Ralph N. Ellis, Master of Hounds of the Meadow Brook Hunt, is in Europe. He will spend the Winter abroad and return in time for the Spring hunting season. While in Europe Mr. Ellis will follow the hounds in some of the English shires, and he will also pick up some hounds, with which to replenish the Meadow Brook pack. C. Albert Stevens, the Secretary of the Meadow Brook Steeplechase Association, will act as master for the Meadow Brook Hounds during Mr. Ellis's absence.

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Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Hitchcock, Jr., have left for Aiken, S. C., where they will spend the Winter. Fox hunting is one of the popular sports at Aiken, and as Mr. Hitchcock has entirely recovered from the injury to his leg, which he received while playing polo this Summer, it will be a hard matter to keep him out of the saddle, especially as he has a pack of hounds and a stable of hunters at his Southern home.

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Preparations are being made for a gala time at Dickel's Riding Academy on Christmas morning. Splendid decorations for the ring and special music have been arranged for. The regular orchestra of the academy will be augmented by the Yorkville Mandolin Club of ten pieces. The chief feature of the entertainment will be a special music ride from 10 o'clock until noon.

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Dr. J. Harry Hutchinson, one of the brigade of younger road drivers, has become a member of the Nassau Coach Horse Company, on East Twenty-fifth Street. Dr. Hutchinson is an expert judge of coachers, cobs, and roadsters, and will hereafter attend to the buying of the company.

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At the monthly meeting of the Staten Island Polo Club Directors last week W. H. Lentilhon, Frank T. Wall, Harry Sedgwick, Lewis Hallock, Jr., A. J. Nutting and R. D. Westcott were admitted to membership. This makes the total membership forty.

Iowa Federal Official Missing.

COUNCIL BLUFFS, Iowa, Dec. 12.—R. N. Whittlesey, Surveyor of Customs for the Port of Council Bluffs, has disappeared. He secured Thursday from a local importer $2,100 to cover duty on a consignment. Instead of sending the money to the Sub-Treasury at Chicago, he took it home with him. He left the house that evening, and has not since been seen. It is reported he recently admitted to friends that he was short in his accounts with the Government, and secured some money to help him settle. His books cannot be found.

Nicaragua Canal Commission.

KEY WEST, Dec. 12.—The gunboat Newport, with the members of the Nicaraguan Commission and a party of surveyors on board, bound from New York for Nicaragua, sailed to-day for Greytown.

Mr. Byrne Not So Ill as Reported.

C. H. Byrne, President of the Brooklyn Baseball Club, was seen at his home, 107 West Eleventh Street, last night. He said that his reported ill health was very much exaggerated, and that, aside from a little touch of nervousness, he was all right.

CHAT OF THE SPORTSMEN

Robert A. Van Wyck and Richard Croker Become Members of the New York A. C.

KNICKERBOCKERS' ACTIVITY

Capt. Noel E. Money's Successful Hunting Trip Abroad—Boat Clubs Elect Officers—Amateur Billiard Tournament at the Sportsmen's Exposition.

Fifty members were elected at the November meeting of the Board of Governors of the New York Athletic Club. The movement to fill the membership roll before taking possession of the new clubhouse was started at a recent meeting. The advantages of non-resident membership have appealed to the residents of other cities, and there were eleven elections to that class. The number of applications indicates a repetition of the rush for membership which occurred when the present clubhouse was first occupied. Mayor-elect Robert A. Van Wyck was one of the resident members elected. Other newly-elected members are: Life.—William H. Perkins, Bernard G. Gunther, Richard Croker, Clarkson Cowl, C. D. Robins, and E. George Schamp. Resident.—William A. Lentilhon, Henry C. Davis, Robert E. Tod, David S. Walton, Jr., Charles La Vake, H. J. Weber, J. L. Wilkin, William F. Ross, August F. Jaccaci, John S. Phillips, Frank B. Hurd, William S. Hawk, Thomas A. De Witt, William A. Kane, E. C. Jameson, Walter R. Patten, Dyer B. Holmes, Frank Brookfield, Charles B. Dale, H. C. Brown, Frank A. Roy, E. T. H. Gibson, William B. Dillon, Henry B. Howell, Charles A. Pearson, Austin R. Baldwin, Stephen H. Mason, Jr., and Dr. Samuel Alexander. Non-resident.—John T. McRoy, John M. Hall, Benjamin F. Reist, Capt. G. W. Mason, Robert M. Snyder, George H. Day, George S. Knowlton, Samuel Rea, Leo Mardus, M. Van Gelder, and Joseph Wheelock, Jr. Junior.—Harry F. Griner, Laurence F. Peck, and Albert J. Netter.

From present indications the new clubhouse will not be ready for occupancy until Feb. 15. There is still an abundance of work in the interior to be finished. The large swimming pool is practically completed, and when fitted up will be one of the handsomest natatoriums in the country. The Board of Governors is arranging for a grand opening, at which will be present some of the most prominent men in the country.

The club's bowling team has been very successful thus far in the Athletic League contests. Last Thursday night it defeated the Knickerbocker A. C. "five" in three straight games. In the new York's team are Clute, Cowperthwaite, Carter, Toussaint and Bell.

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The sportsmen of the Knickerbocker Athletic Club are busy these days. Competitions of every kind are being arranged. The rifle and pistol ranges have a strong fascination for some of the members, among whom are a number of the crack shots of the country.

In the November rifle match Dr. J. B. Hawes won first prize, with an aggregate score of 991 out of a possible 1000 points, on ten selected targets. This is remarkably good work at forty yards, even for rest shooting. Among the records made by the winner were three full scores of 100. The rifle match this month will be shot off-hand at forty yards, for which three prizes are offered, the first a Colt's repeating rifle, and the second and third, silver medals.

More than 100 members attended the bicycle dinner last week. J. H. W. Cole was toastmaster. The toasts were responded to as follows: "Associated Cycle Clubs of New York," Charles E. Simms; "Cycling in Politics," George R. Manchester; "Our Club," Roland Milneux; "The Killifishes," W. F. Reuss; "Gallantry on Wheels," H. C. Barnet; "The Press," Van Rensselaer Dey; "Prospective Club Cranks," Col. D. E. Austen; "Why I Have Wheels," R. Emmet Doherty; "Chain Links," W. C. Von Croll; "Wheels and Water Bottles," W. A. Ulmann. After the dinner the mileage prizes were awarded: First, E. P. Williams, 8,055 miles; second, G. M. Chamberlain, 6,948 miles, and third, E. R. Bellman, 5485 miles. Silver loving cups were given them. Medals were awarded to F. De Kraft, F. R. Wellington, H. E. Westbay, F. Rodbeck, A. W. Webster, W. A. Withers, T. W. Hunter, G. T. Alts, J. S. Hawes, J. H. Meyers, J. O. Chase, H. A. Anderson, George Sweet, R. M. Wollinson, O. Elsass, and Warren Sage.

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The competition for the figure skating championship of the world will be held in London on February 15, under the auspices of the National Skating Association of Great Britain. Up to the present time there have been no American entries, and there are not likely to be any. Rubenstein, the Canadian champion, has signified his intention of taking part in the competition.

No date has yet been decided upon for the figure skating competition in this country. The event will take place in New York. Last year's championship was decided at the St. Nicholas Rink, and was a success in every particular. The management of the Ice Palace, One Hundred and Seventh Street and Lexington Avenue, will make a strong bid for the event this year. Phillips, Keane, Evans, Trier and Foote will be among this year's entries.

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The hockey season of the Amateur League began at the St. Nicholas Rink last Thursday night. The popularity of the game was shown by the large attendance. A noticeable thing about it, and one which, if continued, will soon make the sport very unpopular, was the rough tactics resorted to by several players of both teams, particularly one of the Brooklyn players. When those players tried to block a shot they seemed to try to disable their opponents. One of the Brooklyn contingent of "rooters" urged the men to play a rough game by calling upon them to "block hard." The individual in question appeared not to know anything about hockey, but every few minutes he would yell "block him hard." Hockey, if rough tactics are resorted to, is apt to result in more accidents than occur in football, because the players often come together with great force. When one player blocks another he deliberately stands in his path.

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The cross-country run of the Sea View Harriers, held last Saturday, was so successful that the club decided to hold a big handicap run over an eight mile course at Bay Ridge, on Washington's Birthday.

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The Brooklyn Gun Club will hold a field day on its grounds, Enfield Street and Liberty Avenue, Brooklyn, December 16. Each contest will be a handicap affair, for which silver trophies are offered.

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Capt. Noel E. Money, one of the best-known sportsmen and pigeon shots in this country, is on a shooting vacation in England. His party recently shot 500 pheasants in one day. Capt. Money will enjoy two weeks' fox hunting around Melton Mowbray before he returns home next month.

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Bernard J. Wefers, the famous sprinter of Georgetown University, and J. H. Rush, of the Chicago Athletic Association and Princeton University, will meet in the 220-yard scratch race at the New Jersey Athletic Club carnival next week. Wefers will find Rush a most formidable opponent, as since the two met last, Rush has improved wonderfully.

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When the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen holds its next annual meeting, the Athletic Club of the Schuylkill Navy, of Philadelphia, will do its utmost to depose Secretary Fred Fortmeyer. It is said by the Philadelphians that Fortmeyer was instrumental in the defeat of their candidate, G. S. Carrigan, for membership in the Executive Committee. They say that the election of Mr. Prefsendanz was brought about mainly by the unseemly and unbecoming activity of Secretary Fortmeyer. The latter denied that he used the influence of his office to elect or defeat any candidate, and said that the allegations were entirely unfounded. He further said [illegible] such an influential body as the National Board could not be influenced by one person.

The annual elections of the various boat clubs on the Harlem River is the most important event during the winter months. Last Sunday two clubs held annual meetings.

The Friendship Boat Club elected these officers: R. F. McDowell, President; A. J. McLane, Vice President; Charles H. Jarschow, Financial Secretary; Thomas J. Conroy, Corresponding Secretary; C. H. Brown, Treasurer; W. H. Brown, Captain, and J. Jarchow, Lieutenant. The officers elected by the Crescents were: J. J. O'Grady, President; S. Cool, Vice President; J. D. Cohen, Secretary; E. C. Liemann, Treasurer; W. Rotchford, Captain, and J. Gilson, Lieutenant.

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The amateur billiard tournament which will be held at the Madison Square Garden during the week of the Sportsmen's Exposition will be the first that has ever been conducted under the auspices of the Amateur Athletic Union.

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After waiting three months for a confirmation of J. Arthur Brand's challenge for the Seawanhaka-Corinthian trophy, now held by the Royal St. Lawrence Yacht Club, a cablegram was sent as the result of a committee meeting of the Minima Yacht Club, containing the confirmation. In the meantime, however, the challenge issued by the Seawanhaka Club has been accepted.

A NEW STEAM YACHT.

It Is to be Built in South Brooklyn for Col. E. M. Bliss.

The keel of a new steam yacht for Col. E. M. Bliss, a well-known Brooklynite, and a member of the New York Yacht Club, will be laid this week. The contract has been signed with the J. M. Robins Company of South Brooklyn, and the yacht will be built in its yards at Erie Basin on the same ways from which were launched M. C. D. Borden's Sovereign and Harrison B. Moore's Marietta III. The new yacht will be built from designs by Harry Gielow, and will be a counterpart in everything except size of the Marietta. Its principal dimensions are: Length over all, 180 feet; length on water line, 140 feet; beam, 30 feet, and extreme draught, 11 feet. She will be constructed of steel, flush decked, with the exception of a house forward, which will be used as a dining hall, on top of which will be the bridge, fitted with the latest appliances in the matter of steering gear. She will have two pole masts and a short bowsprit, and will carry three rowboats and a naphtha launch on davits.

The interior arrangements will be similar to those on the Marietta, except that a bathroom will be placed aft of the owner's stateroom. The contract calls for the delivery of the yacht complete by the middle of April, and she will be in commission at the beginning of the yachting year. She is expected to develop great speed. Col. Bliss is well known in club circles in both this city and Brooklyn, and has been a member of the New York Yacht Club for several years. He cruised during last season in the steam yacht Sultana, which he chartered from A. J. Drexel of Philadelphia.

LETTERS FROM THE PEOPLE.

WASHINGTON AND THE CHURCH.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

At the obvious risk of departing from the excellent rule laid down by the Rev. Dr. Potter, will you kindly permit a final word regarding "Washington as a Churchman?"

Mr. L. D. Burdick, in THE TIMES of today, employed the short and easy method of dealing with facts, the simply sweeping aside in wholesale denial. One might suppose that a statement as to the religious profession of any man coming from his own family would be entitled to somewhat of weight.

Edward Everett has, I believe, been always regarded as one who, unlike some historians, has confined himself to facts in his annals of our country. Because Washington served as Vestryman in two parishes, it does not follow of necessity that he was a communicant. And no such assertion is made in any quarter. Again, the fact that in a certain year he attended church but fourteen times has no bearing whatever upon the question; nor any more his devoting Sunday to his correspondence. There would be ample time for such, if he saw fit to use it, apart from the hours of public worship.

The testimony of the assistant minister of Christ Church, Philadelphia, goes to show that Washington was a communicant who at that time had become negligent in his attendance upon the holy sacrament. The course pursued by the clergyman in question was only what might be followed by any parish priest, deploring such a tendency on the part of his people. In fact, an alternate warning, to be read under such conditions before the day of the celebration, is provided in the Book of Common Prayer, and in so grave a matter it might well be supplemented by a special sermon.

There is a usage which somewhat prevails, and has much to commend it, of the entire congregation remaining to the end of the eucharistic office. Any priest desirous of introducing such in his parish would proceed in quite another way from the course pursued toward communicants lax in the use of sacred privilege. It is one thing for non-communicants to depart. It is quite another for communicants to turn their backs on the altar of the Lord. It is clear that in this case the clergyman was dealing with one of the former and not of the latter class.

The rest of the statement, as made by Washington himself, may be offset by another, where he is said to have participated, upon one occasion, in a Presbyterian service of communion. Whatever may be thought of such a course, it is hardly possible that he would have presumed to do this had he been other than a communicant in the church.

It would seem that Mr. Burdick is of the opinion that Washington, whatever he was, should not have been a churchman, and upon that opinion he bases all the rest. But this is hardly "in the interest of historical truth."

I cite from The Gospel Messenger—the organ of the Bishop of Central New York, my own honored diocesan of other years; Bishop Huntington's opinion in any matter carries with it vast weight:

"'The Father of His Country' was a baptized and communicating member of our American Church."

And here I rest the question.

WILLIAM E. HOOKER.

The Rectory, Wilton, Conn., Dec. 10, 1897.

VIADUCT INSTEAD OF SUBWAY.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

I appreciate every word in your editorial of this morning. The need of additional means of transit is a crying one and demands the attention you give it.

I have taken a deep interest in this matter from the beginning, and on the hearing before the Mayor as to an additional $5,000,000 appropriation for rapid transit I stated that the obstacles, physical and legal, to a road under Broadway were insuperable, and that in considering the Broadway route much valuable time was frittered away. The late reform candidate for Mayor bitterly resented the objection made by me and attacked my position, which was, however, shortly after sustained by the Appellate Division.

I said then and I said before the Rapid Transit Commission, with all the deference due their judgment, that the difficulties were so colossal that even enterprising New York could not safely venture to overcome them. The event has so far served only to confirm my predictions, so that today the difficulties are greatly increased.

The only way in which the present scheme can be carried through is by an increase in valuations of the city's real estate. Coming at this time, after the most extravagant administration the city has ever had, not excepting that under the Two I regime, the proposal to increase valuations for the purposes of a scheme which is all but visionary is sure to arouse universal opposition among taxpayers. The scheme proposed means more of a burden than New York real estate will be willing to bear, and the consideration of it to my mind means the delay of a system of real rapid transit. This is not a system of rapid transit, for any fair-minded expert must say that it is a work requiring twenty years for completion; then again, it gives no relief to the upper wards of the city.

The feasible plan for rapid transit is a plan that can be completed inside of two years, namely, a viaduct through the blocks, a system proposed many years ago, and for which the City of New York had plans made.

This would cause an appreciation in real estate values that would more than pay the cost of construction, and the lower stories could be used for stores and warehouses that would return rentals which in a few years would pay the interest on the bonds issued for the cost of the same.

JEFFERSON M. LEVY.

New York, Dec. 11, 1897.

THE WORLD OF LABOR

Discussion of an Employer's Liability Bill at the Central Meeting Leads to Acrid Talk.

THE LIE FREELY PASSED

But Then the Members Quieted Down and Proceeded to Business—Post Office Clerks Organize—The Western's Electric Strike May Extend.

Delegate Perrine of the iron molders reported yesterday to the Central Labor Union that the Law and Legislative Committee had in charge a draft of a bill for a proposed employers' liability law. Notwithstanding that the factory laws, he says, require that machinery should be surrounded by railings so that the working people may not be caught and maimed or killed by the machinery, many employers neglected that precaution, and consequently serious accidents were not of infrequent occurrence. When the injured person sued the employer a jury found in favor of the plaintiff in ninety-nine cases out of a hundred. But whenever the case was appealed the Court of Appeals almost invariably reversed the action of the lower court on the common law ground of contributory negligence on the part of the employe.

Delegate Perrine also said he heard that the Social Reform Club was fathering a similar bill, and Delegate Prince of the cigar packers added that the Workingmen's Political League had also got up such a bill, and had given it to Assemblyman-elect John F. Mahr to introduce. Then he added: "Thank God that labor at last has a representative in the Legislature."

Delegate Jones of the clothing cutters remarked that the Workingmen's Political League was composed of a few fakirs.

"You call them fakirs because you were fired out of the league," said Delegate Friday of the Outside Clothing Salesmen. Then he added, "You're a big stiff!"

"That's a lie," retorted Jones, "and you yourself are the biggest stiff here."

"Jones was the only honest man in the league, and was therefore told to get out," observed Delegate Prince.

"That's a lie. I never went near it," replied Jones.

Delegate Friday began again to declaim against Jones and others, when one delegate asked Chairman Brown to "turn him down," and another delegate exclaimed, "We don't want any Baxter Street barkers' talk here."

A third delegate remarked it was time that Friday should be taught manners, as he had been insulting delegates and threatening to assault them. The Chair, however, declined to call Friday to order.

The delegates from the Building Trades Section asked that the contract for getting up the yearly handbook of the Miscellaneous Section that had been given to John O'Connell be revoked, but the next moment Chairman Brown declared the meeting adjourned.

An uproarious scene followed. The delegates were loudly protesting, and the Chair pounded with his gavel.

"We want to know what scheme is behind this," cried Delegate Farley of the Tile Layers' Helpers.

"It is past the usual hour for adjournment," replied Chairman Brown.

More recriminations followed, and then the delegates made Brown get down, and placed Delegate Smith of the Machinists in the chair, and the meeting proceeded.

The delegates of the building trades renewed their request, and said that O'Connell had sent agents who represented themselves as coming from the Building Trades Section, and had collected money from employers for advertisements. O'Connell, who was present, said he had the contract for the handbook, and that it was none of the Central Labor Union's business. The matter was dropped.

Agent P. J. McNulty of the Hostlers and Drivers' Protective Union asked for the co-operation of the Central Labor Union in suits that it is bringing against the city for overtime due the street sweepers and drivers, and for fines.

The men, said McNulty, were now working fourteen hours a day, and Col. Waring said that the appropriation had to go a long way, while at the same time he was giving $63,000 for a building at the foot of East Seventeenth Street. And that building was of no use. McNulty added that the suits against the city aggregated over $1,000,000.

The meeting referred the matter to the Law and Legislation Committee.

Delegate Johnson of the Manhattan Musical Union complained that members of his organization were discharged from the orchestra of the Murray Hill Theatre, and said they would be paid off to-day. He therefore asked the Central Labor Union to order the Theatrical Protective Union of Stage Hands to make its members in that theatre strike if another orchestra is employed.

A committee was sent post haste to 42 West Thirtieth Street, where the Theatrical Protective Union was in session, to fetch its delegate, Philip Kelly.

The committee returned with the reply that Mr. Kelly could not come, but that the union would do its best to carry out the wishes of the Manhattan musicians. It was also said that the Theatrical Protective Union would meet again this morning, and a committee was appointed to attend that meeting and push the Manhattan musicians' demand.

THE POST OFFICE CLERKS.

They Organize a Branch of the National Association.

Between 200 and 300 post office clerks assembled yesterday at Webster Hall, East Eleventh Street, and organized the Greater New York Branch of the United Post Office Clerks' Association.

The movement for the new organization was started some time ago, and took tangible shape after a conference of delegates of post office clerks from Philadelphia, Pittsburg, New York, and Baltimore that was held at Pittsburg on Nov. 29, when a large number of clerks broke away from the old organization, the National Association of Post Office Clerks of the United States. The old organization includes among its members Superintendents and Chief Clerks. It was claimed that Superintendents and Chief Clerks not only acted as drags upon the association, but also prevented the clerks from obtaining any increase in their salaries, for these high employes had already very good salaries, and Congress had repeatedly refused to take up any bill providing for any increase of clerks' salaries because members of Congress considered that Superintendents and Chief Clerks were already sufficiently paid for their services. So it was decided to organize a new association and to prepare a bill providing for the classification of clerks in first and second-class Post Offices. The bill, if passed, would naturally prevent Postmasters from changing the clerks from higher to lower classes at their pleasure.

According to the bill the first class shall consist of 50 per cent. of the whole number of clerks, excepting assistant Postmasters, second assistant Postmasters, their secretaries and stenographers, cashiers, assistant cashiers, auditors, Superintendents, and Assistant Superintendents of Mails, Superintendents of Delivery, Superintendents of Registry, Superintendents of Money Order, finance clerks, bookkeepers, Superintendents of stations, clerks in charge, messengers, janitors, porters, watchmen, and stamp agents.

The first class is to be subdivided into four grades, the first to receive a salary of $1,400, the second $1,300, the third $1,200, and the fourth class $1,100 per annum. The classes and grades are to be determined upon the basis of seniority of service, and vacancies are to be filled from the next lower grade or class.

The second class, the bill provides, shall consist of the remaining 50 per cent. of the number, and shall receive $800 for the first year of service, $900 for the second year, and in the third year $1,000.

The Postmaster General will be required to classify and fix the salaries of clerks.

In second-class Post Offices, the bill provides that clerks shall be graded in even hundreds of dollars, and shall receive salaries from $800 to $1,000 per annum. Messengers, watchmen, laborers, janitors, and clerks in charge of stations are to receive from $800 to $900 per annum. Postmasters are to submit rosters of the clerks attached to their offices to the Postmaster General.

A permanent organization was effected and the following officers were elected: President—Joseph P. Healy of Station F; Vice President—Thomas M. Quinn of Station T; Recording Secretary—Frank Dahm of Station D; Financial Secretary—John F. Donohue of Station O; Treasurer—A. Eltzel of Station H; Sergeant at Arms—John Connors of the General Post Office; Trustees—John Tobin of the General Post Office, John McDonough of the General Post Office, and John Kenny of Station G.

WESTERN'S ELECTRIC STRIKE.

It May Be Extended To-day if Demands Are Not Met.

The strike of five hundred employes in the Western Electric Company's works at 67 Bethune Street, it was said yesterday, may be extended to-day, when five hundred more may walk out.

The men say that they have been getting $12 a week and their assistants $8. The company, they say, wants to change the weekly wage system to the piece system, and this will reduce their income by fully 30 per cent.

Should the firm not make any arrangement with them by to-day, the men say that the strike will be extended to the branch of the company in Chicago. The firm has also works at London, Paris, Berlin, and Antwerp.

An Effort to Avoid Strikes.

It was reported yesterday that the cloak manufacturers and the Cloakmakers' Union will soon have a conference to try to devise some means by which strikes may be avoided in the future. Both sides realize that strikes have been injurious to all parties concerned.

Federation of Labor Convention.

NASHVILLE, Dec. 12.—Nearly all the delegates to the convention of the American Federation of Labor have arrived. The convention will meet in the hall of the House of Representatives to-morrow morning.

DEAF-MUTE TEACHERS' SCHOOL.

David Greene May Give a Course of Lectures to Normal College Students.

The New York Association for the Improved Instruction of Deaf-Mutes is desirous of establishing a training school for teachers of deaf-mutes. On behalf of the association, Charles B. Hubbell, President of the Board of Education, will present a proposition to the board, offering to provide and maintain, at its own expense, a department in the Normal College for the instruction of teachers of deaf-mutes.

David Greene, Principal of the association, in case the Board of Education accepts the offer will give a course of lectures to Normal College students who desire it, which will be supplemented by practical illustrations upon the pupils in the institution, which is operated under the care of the association. Regarding the work, Mr. Greene said:

"We propose, if our offer is accepted, to give all the students who can be induced to take up the work a thorough and practical course in the instruction of the deaf-mutes. The reason we desire the work to go on under the auspices of the Normal College is because in this way we believe we can get a better and more suitable class of students than otherwise. We want in our classes those who have already the principles of pedagogy, and who can go into our classrooms. There are at present over 1,000 teachers of deaf-mutes in this country, all of whom have had to acquire their own education in their particular branch. In Germany there are regular schools such as we desire to establish.

"By offering this course, which for the present will not be compulsory, we afford teachers a large field of remunerative employment. There are constant vacancies occurring in institutions similar to ours because we always find it difficult to secure suitable and competent instructors.

"I have no doubt that our proposition will be accepted, and we stand ready to begin the course at any time. We will employ the 'laboratory system'—that is, all lecture and class work will be followed by illustrative work in the classrooms of the deaf-mutes. Our course should be attractive to many Normal College students who have no desire to enter the work. It will enable them to correct many defects of speech in their pupils in the grammar schools."

It is understood that the Trustees of the Normal College favor the plan.

LOCOMOTIVES FOR CHINA.

Twelve Baldwins Arrive at Tangku—Americans Underbid English Manufacturers—Railroad Progress.

In September last twelve Baldwin locomotives for the Tien-Tsin-Lukonchiao (Pekin) Railroad extension arrived at Tangku, China, from Philadelphia. United States Consul Read of Tien-Tsin has this to say concerning railway matters within his jurisdiction:

"A representative of the firm of Messrs. Burnham, Williams & Co. of Philadelphia, the makers of these locomotives, is now in Tien-Tsin to superintend their erection.

"Eight of the locomotives are very heavy and are of the 'mogul' type, and the order for them was secured by Messrs. Burnham, Williams & Co. last September, this firm having tendered at prices far below those submitted by English firms. The other four are switch engines, and were ordered outright without a call for tenders.

"It is a matter of great satisfaction that the new line is equipped with American locomotives. We can rest assured that Messrs. Burnham, Williams & Co. have laid down locomotives that will be in every respect according to specifications, and that will more than meet the expectations of the railway officials.

"I trust that we may, with regard to future extensions of the railway, hold the vantage ground that is now ours.

"The next order for locomotives will be for the Lukouchiao-Paotingfu extension. This extension will be rapidly pushed as soon as the line to Pekin has been double tracked."

SUGAR BEETS IN EUROPE.

Less Territory Employed and a Much Smaller Crop This Year.

The recent report that the territory used for beet root sugar culture in Europe was less this year than in 1896 is confirmed by United States Consul Germain of Zurich, Switzerland, who sends the following table:

Countries.	1897. *Hectares.	1896. *Hectares.	Increase or Decrease. Per cent.
Germany	456,993	425,004	+ 2.6
Austria-Hungary	302,950	347,400	—12.8
France	231,110	249,050	— 7.8
Russia	396,500	357,150	+11.9
Belgium	53,939	71,375	—25.7
Holland	32,844	44,386	—27.1
Sweden	23,665	28,360	—16.5
Denmark	12,860	12,330	+ 4.5
Total	1,492,890	1,534,962	— 2.7

*1 hectare is equivalent to 2.471 acres.

The following statistics concerning the crop of 1897-98 are taken from a recent number of El Fomento Industrial y Merantil of Madrid:

"Germany is expected to produce from 1,750,000 to 1,950,000 tons; Austria, from 750,000 to 830,000 tons; France, from 750,000 to 830,000 tons; Russia, from 750,000 to 850,000 tons; Belgium, from 215,000 to 250,000 tons; Holland, from 120,000 to 145,000 tons; and other countries, 185,000 tons, making a total of 4,500,000 tons.

"In 1896-97, the crop was 4,915,749 tons. Comparing this with the coming crop, there will be a deficit of 416,000 tons. Taking the maximum quantity, the increase would be 164,000 tons; the medium, a deficit of 156,000 tons. The maximum, however, is more likely to be the case."

To Distribute Cricket Prizes.

The Metropolitan District Cricket League and the New York Cricket Association, two organizations with a membership of twelve clubs, have combined for their presentation of pennants and distribution of prizes. The affair will take place at Columbia Hall, in Lexington Avenue, on Wednesday evening, and will be followed by a smoking concert. David A. Munro, the President of the league, will preside, and the recipients of the various trophies will be as follows: New Jersey Athletic Club, Metropolitan Cup and League Cup; Brooklyn Cricket Club, association pennant; C. H. Clarke, New Jersey Athletic Club, league batting prize; M. R. Cobb, New Jersey Athletic Club, league bowling prize; G. A. Gittens, New Jersey Athletic Club, association batting prize; J. H. West, Paterson Cricket Club, association bowling prize; G. A. Gittens, special prize, presented by Henry Martin, for highest individual score in association championship matches.

GEN. WEYLER IN MADRID

The Deposed Governor General of Cuba Arouses No Enthusiasm in the Spanish Capital.

RECEIVED BY A FEW FRIENDS

Carlists Abandon Their Projected Demonstration Against President McKinley's Message—Cubans Ask About Autonomy.

MADRID, Dec. 12.—Lieut. Gen. Weyler arrived here this afternoon. He was received at the railway platform by Gen. Azcarraga, the former Premier; Gen. Borrero, the former Commander of the Sixth Army Corps, and a number of Republicans, Carlists, Conservatives, and Robledoists.

As he alighted from the train they cheered him, and then carried him shoulder high to the entrance of the railway station, where he took a carriage and was driven rapidly away. There was no further incident, the public appearing indifferent.

A few friends, including Señor Romero Robledo, accompanied him to his apartments. About a hundred people had collected, but dispersed almost immediately after he entered the building.

The partisans of Gen. Weyler pretend that a crowd of 8,000 people tendered him an ovation, with shouts of "Long live Weyler!" "Death to the Yankees!" and the like. He will be received by the Queen Regent to-morrow.

El Correo Español says that the Carlists have abandoned their projected demonstration against President McKinley's message to Congress, as they have not been able to agree on the subject.

It is alleged that the insurgents in Eastern Cuba have asked the Government for details as to the extent and nature of the scheme of autonomy, with a view of coming to terms.

DISCOURAGEMENT IN HAVANA.

No Hope That the Insurgents will Surrender or Accept Autonomy.

HAVANA, Dec. 12.—The plans of the insurgents to strike a blow near the city have been checked, according to the official account, but the concentration of their forces is such as to make it unlikely that the local insurgent bands will surrender, as the Spanish authorities have been hoping.

The business concerns of the city are much discouraged by the actual situation. They do not now look forward to a speedy end of the revolution. All say that they have abandoned the hope that the insurgents will surrender or accept the conditions of autonomy.

Marshal Blanco has cabled Señor de Lome, the Spanish Minister at Washington, a request that he tender his condolences to President McKinley on the death of Mrs. McKinley, the President's mother.

Gen. Pando and his staff are still with the gunboats Diego and Velasquez, which are engaged in removing the wreck of the gunboat Relampago, which was dynamited some months ago near the mouth of the River Cauto, and are clearing away other obstacles interfering with navigation, while also protecting the work of constructing forts at that point. The gunboat Dependiente, originally engaged in this work, met with an accident and has been towed back to Manzanillo.

There are persistent rumors here that the insurgent General Rabi will accept autonomy.

Gen. Velasco Lomas destroyed an insurgent camp at Madama, killing nineteen insurgents. The Spanish column lost four killed and nine wounded.

Near the City of Pinar del Rio the insurgents attacked the Plantation American, wounding the chief of the detachment in charge and five soldiers.

NICARAGUANS MAY STARVE.

Pest of Bugs Destroying Thousands of Cocoanut Trees.

A pest of bugs is hard at work destroying the cocoanut trees in Nicaragua. United States Consular Agent Clancy of Bluefields reports that J. A. Petersen of Bluefields says that since July, 1896, over one-third of the cocoanut trees on Big Corn Island have been annihilated, and that unless some preventive measure be adopted within one year from date there will not be a cocoanut growing on the island. It is estimated that the loss at the present reaches 50,000 trees, leaving 100,000 for the bugs to exterminate. Little Corn Island is being devastated in the same way. The 500 inhabitants of Corn Island depend on the cocoanuts for subsistence.

Mr. Clancy writes: "The bug gets into the young tree and kills it at once, and the old trees are ruined at the top in the following manner: The bug, in some way gets to the tops of the old trees and eats or bores a hole in them; the trees then sour, and the locust finishes the work. The trees with the appearance of having been destroyed by fire. There has been no effort made as yet to remedy the evil.

"A similar disease or plague killed all the cocoanut trees on Grand Cayman and Old Providence some years ago. I am informed that an investigation was made by some parties from the United States on the island of Grand Cayman, but was fruitless in results.

"Mr. Petersen informs me that the insect that does the damage is a fair-sized bug, with excellent boring qualities."

PROGRAMME OF FREE LECTURES.

Monday Evening, Dec. 13.

Public School No. 3, Grove and Hudson Streets, E. H. Wellman, "Alaska," illustrated.

No. 5, One Hundred and Forty-first Street and Edgecombe Avenue, Mrs. Annie Nathan Meyer, "A Day in New York in 1770," illustrated.

No. 10, One Hundred and Seventeenth Street and St. Nicholas Avenue, Prof. Robert W. Prentiss, "Comets and Meteors," illustrated.

No. 14, 222 East Twenty-seventh Street, Max Rosenberg, "Foods and Their Relation to the Human Economy."

No. 15, 728 Fifth Street, Milo Roy Maltbie, "The Characteristic Features of the American Government."

No. 28, Mulberry and Bayard Streets, John Hutchinson, "The National Yellowstone Park," illustrated.

No. 56, 124 West Thirtieth Street, E. P. Wheeler, "The Civil Service."

No. 29, Albany and Carlisle Streets, Dr. Philip Meirowitz, "The Brain—Its Structure and Functions," illustrated.

No. 83, 418 West 28th Street, Dr. Wendell C. Phillips, "Prevention of Germ Diseases," illustrated.

No. 44, 12 North Moore Street, Dr. F. C. Valentine, "Central America," illustrated.

No. 46, One Hundred and Fifty-sixth Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues, Clarence Pullen, "New Mexico," illustrated.

No. 51, 523 West Forty-fourth Street, Herbert S. Renton, "The Other Side of the World," illustrated.

No. 64, Fordham, Franklin Gaylord, "The United States Navy," illustrated.

No. 66, Kips's Bridge, T. C. Martin, "Edison," illustrated.

No. 82, Seventieth Street and First Avenue, Miss Mary Proctor, "Story of the Stars," illustrated.

No. 86, Ninety-sixth Street and Lexington Avenue, W. W. Clarke, "Wonders of Modern Science," illustrated.

No. 87, Seventy-seventh Street and Amsterdam Avenue, F. Douglas, "The Rocky Mountains and the Great Basin," illustrated.

No. 92, Broome and Ridge Streets, John Quincy Adams, "The Founders and Patriots of America."

No. 96, Eighty-first Street and Avenue A, Capt. H. E. W. Campbell, "Beautiful Hawaii," illustrated.

No. 101, Wakefield, W. A. McAndrew, "The Great Northern Country," illustrated.

No. 135, Fifty-first Street and First Avenue, Barnet Phillips, "Pottery To-day," illustrated.

No. 154, St. Ann's Avenue, One Hundred and Forty-seventh and One Hundred and Forty-eighth Street, A. D. Mackay, "Japan," illustrated.

Educational Alliance, 197 East Broadway, T. W. Surette, "Beethoven; Growth of Sonata and Symphony, illustrated.

Columbus Hall, Sixtieth Street, between Ninth and Tenth Avenues, Appleton P. Lyon, "The Structure of the Universe," illustrated.

Tuesday Evening, Dec. 14.

Cathedral School Hall, 111 East Fiftieth Street, T. Douglas, "The Rocky Mountains and Great Basin," illustrated.

American Museum of Natural History, Seventy-seventh Street and Eighth Avenue, Sidney Dickinson, "New Zealand," illustrated.

Institute Hall, 218 East One Hundred and Sixth Street, S. T. Willis, "The Lakes of Central New York and the Erie Canal," illustrated.

Wednesday Evening, Dec. 15.

Young Men's Christian Association Hall, 5 West One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street, Prof. Joseph French Johnson, "The Nicaragua Canal," illustrated.

St. Bartholomew's Parish House, 205 East Forty-second Street, Edgar Stillman Kelley, "The Romantic School," illustrated.

THE COMMERCIAL WORLD

CASH PRICES FOR STAPLES.

Wheat, No. 2 red 96½
Corn, No. 2 mixed 33½
Oats, No. 2 mixed 27½
Flour, Minnesota patents 5.30
Cotton, middling 6¾
Coffee, No. 7 Rio 6¾
Sugar, granulated 5 1-16
Molasses, N. O., prime 27
Beef, family 9.75
Beef hams 22.25
Tallow, prime 3½
Pork, mess 8.50
Hogs, dressed, 160 lb 4¾
Butter, State, finest creamery 24
Lard, prime 4.60
Iron, Northern No. 1 foundry 11.75
Pig iron warrants 8.88
Copper, lake ingot 10.95
Tin 18.67½
Lead 3.70
Spelter 4.00

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Flour steady; hard patents, $4.60@4.80; soft, $4.40@4.60; soft bakers', $3.40@3.60; Winter straights, $4.50@4.70; No. 2 Spring wheat, 88¾@90¼c; No. 3 Spring wheat, 82@86c; No. 2 red, $1.02½@$1.04; No. 2 corn, 26¾@26¾c; No. 2 yellow corn, 26@26¼c; No. 2 oats, 22¼c; No. 2 white, 22@22¼c; No. 3 white, 20½@23¾c; No. 2 rye, 46¼c; No. 2 barley, 26@33c; No. 1 flaxseed, $1.12@1.16; prime timothy seed, $2.62½; mess pork, per bbl, $7.40@7.45; lard, per 100 lb, $4.35@4.40; short ribs sides (loose), $4.12½@4.50; dry salted shoulders (boxed), 4@4¼c; short clear sides, (boxed,) $4.45@4.65; whisky, distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1.19; sugars unchanged.

COTTON.

The cotton market opened quiet and steady Saturday at unchanged prices to an advance of 1 point. Sellers were scarce, and while outside buying orders were also scarce, there was some local covering demand on which prices moved up 2@3 points, which brought out a little liquidation by local traders, operating for small profits. Buying was checked by unsatisfactory accounts from Fall River; also by indifferent cables and a lack of outside speculative interest. At the close the tone was steady, with prices unchanged to a net advance of 5 points. Total sales were confined to 30,100 bales.

Contract prices ranged as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	5.67	5.67	5.67	5.69@5.70
January	5.69	5.71	5.68	5.70@5.71
February	...	...	...	5.73@5.75
March	5.76	5.79	5.76	5.77@5.78
April	5.81	5.84	5.81	5.82@5.83
May	5.86	5.88	5.86	5.87@5.88
June	5.90	5.92	5.90	5.91@5.92
July	5.95	5.97	5.94	5.96@5.97
August	5.99	6.01	5.99	6.00@6.01
September	...	...	...	6.00@6.02
October	6.04	6.04	6.04	6.02@6.03

Southern spot markets, middling: Galveston, 5 7-16c; Mobile, 5 8-16c; Savannah, 5 8-16c; Wilmington, 5½c; Norfolk, 5¼c; Baltimore, 5¾c; Memphis, 5¼c; Augusta, 5 7-16c; St. Louis, 5 5-16c; New Orleans, 5¼c; Charleston, 5 3-16c.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 11.—Middling uplands, 3 5-16d. January-February, 3083; February-March, 3086½; March-April, 309; April-May, 3105; May-June, 3111½; June-July, 3124½; July-August, 3145; August-September, 3155; September-October, 3164; October-November, 3175; December, 3085; December-January, 3085.

FUTURES.

NEW YORK PRICES.

	Open.	High.	Low.	Close.
Wheat—				
December	97¾	97¾	97¼	97¼
January	97¼	97¾	97¼	97¾
May	93¾	93½	93¾	98¼
Corn—				
December	...	...	...	31½
May	35½	35½	35¼	35¾
Oats—				
December	...	...	...	27
May	...	...	...	27½

CHICAGO PRICES.

Wheat—				
December	104	105	103	104½
January	96	96	96½	96½
May	91¾	91½	91	91¾
Corn—				
December	25½	25¾	25¼	25¾
January	...	...	...	25¾
May	28½	28¾	28¾	29¼
Oats—				
December	22	22	22	22
May	22½	22½	22¾	22¾

BREADSTUFFS.

Wheat.

The weakness of cables and lack of export interest were two factors prominently connected with wheat's decline Saturday morning. Liverpool reported a disposition to await the 4,000,000 or 5,000,000 bushels said to be coming from the Chicago bull clique, which it expects to get pretty cheap. Advices from Washington said that the special wheat investigation is still taking a few important returns, but the general result will be determined by to-day at noon. The final estimate of production of principal crops will not be made probably before the end of December. On the curb May ranged from 95¾c to 98 11-16c, closing at 96⅞c asked.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 11.—No. 1 Northern, 91@92c; No. 2 Spring, 86½c; May, 91¼c.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 11.—December, 91¼c; May, 88¾c; July, 87¼c; No. 1 hard, 96¾c; No. 1 Northern, 93¾c.

DULUTH, Dec. 11.—No. 1 hard, 91¾c bid; No. 1 Northern, 91½c bid; December, 89¾c bid; No. 2 Northern, 88c bid.

Corn.

No. 2, 33¾c, free on board, afloat.

Oats.

No. 2, 27¼@27¾c; No. 3, 27c; No. 2 white, 29¼@30c; No. 3 white, 28¾c; track mixed, 27½@28¾c; track white, 28½@35c.

Miscellaneous.

Rye—Market quiet; No. 2 Western, 50¾c; No. 1 Western, 51¾c, cost, insurance, and freight, Buffalo. Barley—23½c, cost, insurance, and freight, Buffalo.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Barley—No. 3, 26c to 42c. Rye—46¼c; December, 45¾c; May, 48¾c. Flax—$1.12½; November, $1.16; December, $1.11¾; May, $1.15¾. Timothy—$2.65; March, $2.80.

Flour and Meal.

Spring patents, $5.10@$5.45; Winter straights, $4.55@$4.70; Winter patents, $4.80@$5.10; Spring clears, $4.20@$4.40; extra No. 1 Winter, $3.80@$4; extra No. 2 Winter, $3.40@$3.60; no grade, $3.55@$1.60; buckwheat flour, $1.40@$1.45. Rye Flour—$2.90@$3.25. Brimeal—Kiln-dried, $1.75@$1.90, as to brand. Bag Meal—Fine white, 80c; fine yellow, 70@75c; coarse, 65@66c. Feed—40, 80, and 80 lb, Winter, in bulk, 65@70c; 100 lb, middling, bulk, 75@77½c; rye feed 60@65c; city feed, 70c; hominy chop, 60c; buckwheat grain, 87½@88c, cost, insurance, and freight, New York.

MINNEAPOLIS, Dec. 11.—Flour—First patents, $5.05@$5.15; second patents, $4.90@$5; first clears, $3.80@$4; second clears, $2.80@$3.

PROVISIONS.

PORK—Mess, $8.25@$9; family, $10@$11; short clear, $10@$12. BEEF—Mess, $7.50@$8; family, $9.50@$10; packet, $9@$10; extra India mess, $14@$16. DRESSED HOGS—Heavy, 4½c; 180-lb, 4½c; 160-lb, 4¾c; 140-lb, 4¾c; 120-lb, 4⅞c. Pigs, 5¼@5¾c. CUT-MEATS—Smoking bellies, 7c; 10-lb, 6¼c; 12-lb, 6c; 14-lb, 5¾c; pickled shoulders, 5¾c; pickled hams, 7¼@7½c; Western, green, 16-lb, 6¼c. TALLOW—3¼c. LARD—4.60c; city lard, 4.60c; refined, South America, 5.20c; Continent, 4.90c; Brazil, kegs, 6.35c; compound, city, 4@4¼c; Western, 4½c. STEARINE—Oleo, 4¾c asked; city lard stearine, 5¾c.

CHICAGO, Dec. 11.—Close—Pork—December, $7.40; January, $8.35; May, $8.57½. Lard—December, 4.25c; January, 4.35@4.37½c; May, 4.52½c. Ribs—December, $4.22½; January, $4.22½@4.25; May, $4.35.

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 11.—Beef—Extra India mess, 66s 3d; prime mess, 50s 3d. Pork—Prime mess, fine, Western, 48s 9d; medium, Western, 46s 3d. Hams—Short cut, 14 to 16 lb, 32s 6d. Bacon—Cumberland cut, 26 to 30 lb, 30s 6d; short rib, 20 to 24 lb, 30s; long clear middles, 35 to 38 lb, 31s; short clear backs, 16 to 18 lb, 30s; clear bellies, 12 to 14 lb, 38s 6d. Shoulders—Square, 12 to 14 lb, 29s. Lard—Prime Western, 22s 9d. Cheese—American finest white and colored, 42s 6d. Tallow—Prime city, 18s 6d.

COFFEE.

The movement in Brazilian coffee futures Saturday was within narrow limits and sluggish. There was no business on the first call, and for the entire session sales reached only 8,000 bags, with the market finally dull, with prices unchanged to a net loss of 5 points.

Contract prices ranged as follows:

	Opening.	High.	Low.	Close.
December	5.90	5.90	5.85	5.80@5.85
January	5.90	5.90	5.90	5.85@5.90
February	5.95	5.95	5.95	5.90@5.95
March	6.00	6.00	6.00	5.95@6.00
April	6.05	6.05	6.05	6.00@6.05
May	6.10	6.10	6.10	6.05@6.10
June	...	...	...	6.10@6.15
July	...	...	...	6.15@6.20
August	...	...	...	6.20@6.25
September	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.25@6.30
October	6.30	6.30	6.30	6.25@6.30
November	...	...	...	6.30@6.35

FOREIGN MARKETS—Santos, good average, 8$500. Hamburg opened ⅛@⅛ pfennig lower; closed ⅛@⅜ pfennig net lower; sales, 13,000 bags. Havre opened steady, ½ higher. At 12 M., ½ lower; at 3 P. M., irregular and unchanged at 4:30 P. M., easy, ½ lower; sales, 27,000 bags. January, 38.50; February, 38.50; March, 38.75; April, 39; May, 39.25; June, 39.50; July, 39.75; August, 40; September, 40; October, 40.25; November, 40.50; December, 38.50. Rio—No. 7, 8¾c.

SUGAR.

Centrifugal, 96° test, 3 15-16@4c; muscovado, 89° test, 3⅝@3 7-16; molasses sugar, 89° test, 3 1-16@3¼c.

OILS.

Prime crude, 18½c; prime crude, free on board, mills, 12½@14c; prime Summer yellow, 21@22c; off Summer yellow, 20c; better grades, 24@25c; prime white, 29@30c; prime yellow, 27c; linseed, American raw, 39@39½c; American boiled, 40@41c; Calcutta raw, 54c.

WOOL.

The Wool Exchange quotes carpet wools as follows: Aleppo, 13@14c; Angora, 14@14½c; Bagdad, black, 20@21c; Bagdad lawns, 20@21c; Bagdad, white, 22@23c; Bokhara colors, 12½@14c; Bokhara, white, 15@16c; Camels' hair, Russian, 13@18½c; China, ordinary, 12@14c; China, combing, 16@16½c; Cordova, 14@14½c; Donskoi, Autumns, 17c; Donskoi, combing, 23@25c; Donskoi, colors, 20@22c; Donskoi, lambs, 16@18c; Scotch, 16@17c; Valparaiso, 13@14c.

East India and Asiatic: East India choice, 14@15c; East India low, 12@14c; Georgian B. O., 16@17c; Georgian E., 14@16c; Georgian B. S., 13@15c; Kandahar, 22@23c; Karadi choice, 17@18c; Karadi ordinary, 15@17c; Joria and Vicaneer, 24@25c; Khorasan colors, 14½c; Khorassan white, 18@19c; Mohair Turkish, 42@43c; Mossul washed, 14c; Mossul unwashed, 14c; Oporto, 19c; Salonica, 12@13c.

LONDON, Dec. 11.—The arrivals of wool for the first series of 1898 are as follows: New South Wales, 10,711 bales; Queensland, 7,353 bales; Victoria, 4,759 bales; South Australia, 1,889 bales; West Australia, 5,040 bales; Tasmania, 21 bales; New Zealand, 5,849 bales; Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 11,181 bales—making a total of 46,983 bales, including 8,500 bales sent direct. The imports for the week aggregated 11,464 bales, including New South Wales, 2,103 bales; Melbourne, 354 bales; Queensland, 3,607 bales; South Australia, 431 bales; West Australia, 51 bales; Cape of Good Hope and Natal, 1,807 bales; Russia, 200 bales; Marseilles, 611 bales; Singapore, 2,067 bales, and miscellaneous, 118 bales.

NAVAL STORES.

Tar, regulars, $1.65; oil barrels, $3.50; pitch, $1.85; turpentine, 32½@33¼c; resin, common to good strained, $1.40@1.45; N, $1.50@1.52½; F, $1.57½@1.60; G, $1.65; H, $1.70; I, $1.80; K, $1.90; M, $2.10; N, $2.40; W G, $2.75; W W, $3.20.

WILMINGTON, N. C., Dec. 11.—Turpentine, 29½@30¼c.

CHARLESTON, Dec. 11.—Turpentine, 30c; resin unchanged.

SAVANNAH, Dec. 11.—Turpentine, 30¼c. Resin unchanged.

LIVE STOCK.

BEEVES—Dressed beef, 7@8¼c.

CALVES—Veals, $5@$7.75; grassers, $2.25@$2.75. City dressed veals, 10¼@11¼c per lb.

SHEEP AND LAMBS—Sheep, $3@$4.25; lambs, $3@$4.40. Dressed mutton, 6½@7½c; dressed lambs, 8½@10c.

HOGS—$3.45@$3.55.

FEDERAL COURTS.

Calendars for Monday, Dec. 13.

UNITED STATES CIRCUIT COURT OF APPEALS—Wallace, Lacombe, and Shipman, JJ.—Opens in Room 124 Post Office Building at 10:30 A. M.

46—Graves vs. Ship W. F. Babcock.
48—Hayden vs. Chemical National Bank.
49—Press Pub. Co. vs. Crossman.
50—United States vs. Warren Chemical Mfg. Co.
51—Barley vs. Williams.
52—Wiebusch & Hilgard vs. United States.
53—Roechi vs. United States.
54—Morrison vs. same.
55—Wolff vs. same.
56—Nat. Folding Box Co. vs. Elias.

Motion calendar.

1—Li Sing vs. McCarty.
2—Leung vs. same.
3—Canada Sugar Co. vs. Ins. Co. of N. A.
4—N. Y. Filter Co. vs. Elmira Water Works Co.
5—Dick Co. vs. Wickelman.
6—Texas & Pacific Ry. Co. vs. Clayton.
7—Con. Fastener Co. vs. Littauer.
8—N. Y. Filter Co. vs. Niagara Co.

STATE COURTS.

New York Calendars—This Day.

SUPREME COURT—Appellate Division—Adjourned until Tuesday, Dec. 14, at 1 P. M.

SUPREME COURT—Appellate Term—Adjourned for the term.

SUPREME COURT—Special Term—Part I.—Truax, J.—Opens at 10:30 A. M.—Litigated motions.

1—People, &c., vs. St. Nicholas Bank.
2—In re Kohn.
3—Naething vs. Mayor, &c.
4—In re Rapp.
5—Odell vs. Ecuador Placer Mining Co.
6—Jacques vs. Pacific National Gold Mining Co.
7—In re Lehman.
8—Howell vs. Howell.
9—Ralph vs. Bernstein.
10—Kempter vs. White.
11—In re Gottlieb.
12—Ehrich vs. Raymond.
13—Gould vs. McGillin.
14—Anderson vs. Gillingham.
15—P. Cox Shoe Manufacturing Co. vs. Gilbert.
16—Sligna Iron Co. vs. Brown.
17—In re Atlas Iron Construction Co.
18—In re Grand Boulevard and Concourse.
19—Scott vs. Vennett.
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ACADEMY OF MUSIC—The White Heather—8:15.
BIJOU—The Swell Miss Fitswell—8:15.
BROADWAY—The Highwayman—8:15.
DALY'S—No. 9; or, The Lady of Ostend—8:15.
DORIS'S WINTER CIRCUS—2:00 and 8:15.
EDEN MUSEE—Waxworks—Concerts—Cinematograph—Day and Evening.
EMPIRE—A Marriage of Convenience—8:30.
FIFTH AVENUE—Deborah—8:30.
FOURTEENTH STREET—An Irish Gentleman—8:15.
GARDEN—Faust—8:00.
GARRICK—The Little Minister—8:30.
GRAND OPERA HOUSE—A Happy Little Home—8:00.
HARLEM OPERA HOUSE—Under the Red Robe—8:15.
HERALD SQUARE—The French Maid—8:15.
HOYT'S—A Stranger in New York—8:30.
IRVING PLACE—Waldmeister—8:15.
KNICKERBOCKER—An American Citizen—8:20.
KOSTER & BIAL'S—Refined Variety—Spectacular Ballet—Concert—7:30.
LYCEUM—The Princess and the Butterfly—8:15.
MANHATTAN—My Boys—8:30.
NATIONAL ACADEMY OF DESIGN—Paintings—Day and Evening.
PLEASURE PALACE—Vaudeville—1:30 and 7:00.
PROCTOR'S—Vaudeville—12 M. to 11 P. M.
WALLACK'S—A Ward of France—8:15.
WEBER & FIELDS'—Pousse Café; or, The Worst Born—Vaudeville—8:00.

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THE CASE AGAINST THE RAILROADS.

Our readers are familiar with the complaint of the New York Stock Exchange before the Inter-State Commerce Commission against the railway companies composing the Joint Traffic Association. The complaint rests on the relative loss of export trade in grain, flour, and provisions by the port of New York, and the relative gain in that trade by the so-called "outports," from Boston on the north to Newport News on the south. The attorneys for the Produce Exchange, after the hearing of evidence at this city and Philadelphia, have filed their brief with the commission, as have the other parties, and argument will in due time be heard at Washington. It is worth while summarizing the points made in behalf of the Produce Exchange in a matter of the greatest importance to the whole community, of which it is in reality the representative.

The Exchange claims that the export traffic referred to has been diverted from this port substantially by what are known as "differentials." These are the lower freight rates given to Philadelphia (by 2 cents per 100 pounds) and to Baltimore and other Southern ports, (by 3 cents per 100 pounds.) A part of the system of differentials is that transfer charges at the various ports shall be equalized, so that the full advantage of the lower rates shall be secured by the ports to which they are allowed. "The gist of the complaint of New York before the commission to-day is that the differentials are steadily taking away to rival Atlantic ports her fair and legitimate share of the reduced percentage of grain, flour, and provisions now seeking outlet through Atlantic seaboard gateways." It is acknowledged that ports like Galveston and New Orleans are taking an increasing share of the total trade, but the share of New York in what is left is cut down by the lower freight rates given to her rivals.

These differentials were originally granted for the avowed purpose of making the cost of transport from the Western grain fields to Liverpool the same without regard to the port through which the grain was shipped. The Produce Exchange claims that they have long since ceased to have this effect, and now have exactly the contrary. Intended to offset lower ocean freight from New York since ocean freights have become, on the whole, as low from other ports, and in some cases lower, the total charge from the grain fields to Liverpool became lower for grain shipped at other ports than for grain shipped from New York. The attorneys for the Exchange sum up as "facts proved" the following conditions affecting the trade of New York as compared with the other ports:

"That cargo rates are the same at all ports, that the berth rates (charged by regular lines of steamships) vary but little; that vessels will even shift from New York to any port for three-eighths of a cent per bushel; that all the outports now have regular ocean lines to primary markets and necessarily cheaper port charges than New York; that during eight months of the year a vessel south of Philadelphia can earn from $500 to $600 per trip without any perceptible greater cost of service, (owing to the heavier loads they are permitted, by the British rules, to carry;) that the great Winter wheat and corn territory is naturally tributary to the Southern ports; that ocean freights are as subject to competition as inland rates, and where left to compete, as at Boston, themselves equalize port advantages, and that the Erie Canal has ceased to be a material factor, except as a check upon high railroad rates." From these facts they urge the "conclusion that arbitrary differentials against New York upon export traffic, difficult to defend under any circumstances, are entirely indefensible in the present issue."

What the Produce Exchange proposes is that the whole coast line from Boston to Norfolk should be treated as "a competitive point," that the arbitrary differentials should be abolished entirely as to export grain, flour, and provisions, that the rates to all the Atlantic ports should be the same from Chicago and proportionably to distance the same from other Western trade centres.

We believe that the attorneys for the Exchange state the controlling facts fairly and correctly. Their statements, so far as it goes, agrees with the conclusions yielded by an impartial examination of the situation. That it is in the power of the Inter-State Commerce Commission to do practical justice in the premises we are not convinced. The inherent difficulty—the factor of really greatest significance and importance—is revealed by a passing phrase in the brief of the attorneys in which they declare that the object of the differentials "is to divert and distribute traffic so as to keep peace among railroads." The object is in reality only partly secured, for the apparent peace secured is to a considerable extent illusory, and, though it may not be possible to prove it, it is a fair guess that a substantial part of the export trade left to this port is carried by rail as cheaply as if it went to Baltimore or Newport News. The New York problem is a very serious one; it is a part of one still more serious; the relations of the trade of New York to the railroads are largely determined by the relations of the railroads to each other over the whole vast area served by them. Can the Inter-State Commerce Commission, under the present law, deal successfully with these? Could Mrs. Partington keep back the Atlantic with her broom?

THE SEALS.

Representative JOHNSON'S proposition that we exterminate the seal herd is not proper or permissible. We hope he will not introduce the bill.

It would be a very inhuman business to kill the seals merely for the sake of destroying them. They have natural rights which we are in decency bound to respect. The pelagic sealing of the Canadians is cruel and destructive, but if we deliberately exterminate the herd we shall put ourselves before the world as worse than the barbarous and predatory Canadian sealers.

It would not be Yankee-like. Better sell out the business to the Canadians or to the Russians or Japanese. A fair trade is better than wasteful slaughter. Or if Congress is convinced that the pelagic sealers carry on their business in violation of our rights, we might find a way to put the screws on Canada so hard that she would be glad to keep her sealers out of Alaska waters.

WIDOWS AND PENSIONS.

The Republicans of the Fifty-fifth Congress are in no humor to restrain the growth of the pension list and the expenditure that must be the inevitable result of packing that list full of unworthy objects of Government benevolence. The House has just passed a pension appropriation bill that confessedly does not provide the amount of money that will be necessary to pay the pensioners for twelve months. The appropriation probably will not last eleven months.

Ignorance and indifference as to what the money is to be spent for, and how much money is to be yet spent in the same way, are alike displayed in the Committee on Invalid Pensions and in the House. After they had been informed of a direction in which the pension expenditures could be restricted with something like a tribute to decency, they did not adopt the suggestion.

Mr. CANNON permitted it to be known, in the speech he made when the bill was taken up, that the Appropriations Committee had considered the question of stopping the expansion of the pension list by limiting the payment of pensions to widows who were married to soldiers before the passage of the bill. The Commissioner of Pensions had briefly asked that this might be done. Such a provision would discourage the marriage of young women to men so old and helpless that in nine cases out of ten it is not a violent assumption that the sole object of the marriage is to acquire a right to claim a pension.

Mr. CANNON might have brought his bill in with the amendment incorporated in it. A point of order might have been made against it, and that point might have prevailed; but Mr. CANNON would have looked more respectable afterward.

It is too much to hope that the Senate will put all widows of soldiers on the same footing and prohibit all from becoming eligible to go on the pension roll unless they have acquired the right before the Pension bill becomes effective. The bill is still a thing in the hands of the politicians of both parties. There is not much strict politics in it; both parties seem possessed by a consuming desire to pack the list until its weight shall cause the country to groan at the very mention of the "men who saved their country."

When we talk of war with somebody who does not want to fight us, it will be just as well to stop and wonder whether we are prepared to add to the two billions we have spent for pensions for our last war, and the two billions yet to be spent to square the account, a few billions more to a new and more vigorous race of pensioners.

MR. BRYAN FOR MEXICO.

No one will regret Mr. BRYAN'S cordial reception in Mexico or misunderstand it. That relatively enterprising nation produces a good deal of silver which it sells as merchandise on the markets of the world. If Mr. BRYAN could have his way, whatever demand for their silver would arise by free coinage of 48 cents into a dollar by the mints of the United States would be to the advantage of the Mexicans. They do well to hail him with Hispano-American rhetoric as "their great silver friend," meaning thereby, we assume, a great friend of their silver.

Possibly Mr. BRYAN may elect to stay in Mexico indefinitely. He has no reason to hope that his theories will ever be put in operation in the United States, and he may prefer to live in a land where some of them prevail. It is true that the Mexicans obstinately sell their silver in order to pay the interest on their bonds in gold, and on the whole find that the most profitable as well as the most honest way of dealing with their creditors. But Mr. BRYAN, if he cannot convert them to repudiation, can at least enjoy all the advantages of a complete silver basis in the country itself.

Meanwhile we suggest to him and to his enthusiastic hosts an interesting experiment. He is a good example of depreciated and discredited raw material for statesmanship. Let the Mexican Government decree him to be legal tender at his face value. If he can be made to circulate at that value, the highest achievement of fiat legislation will have been reached.

LITERATURE AND HOG PRODUCTS.

We commend to the youth of this country the solid, hard-headed, North American good sense of the remarks of Mr. NELSON MORRIS of Chicago on taking his son IRA into the firm. "A million men can write books," he said, "but few have the opportunity that my son enjoys to become great in the business world."

These are words of gold. So long as there are such fathers in the land there is no danger that we shall become a nation of mere scribblers. The pork-packing remnant will save us.

We mean in all seriousness and sincerity just what we have written. Let the vealy tribe that write the unending stream of books uncalled for and unread make their silly little jokes about Mr. MORRIS. THE TIMES affirms that he is a wise man and has done a wise thing, not only for IRA, but for the country.

NELSON MORRIS has made millions in pork packing, and in other lines of business that have made his name prominent. His son, IRA NELSON MORRIS, not long ago wrote a book with the title "With the Trade Winds: A Jaunt in Venezuela and the West Indies." Like seven-tenths of the men and women who publish nowadays, he wrote under the promptings of a false impulse. He craved the fame and flattery of authorship. He wanted to be spoken of as a man who had written a book. He had nothing to say. There was not an idea in his head about the West Indies and Venezuela that was not perfectly commonplace and unimportant. But he wanted to write a book. He had an obsession, a mania.

There was no demand for young Mr. MORRIS'S book. It did not sell. That is the fate of thousands of other worthless books. But most of the misguided beings who write under this false impulse are proof against discouragement. They keep on writing. They continue to swell the vast accumulation of unsold remainders. Young Mr. MORRIS, however, had a wise father. We quote some further utterances of this very sensible pork packer:

"My son is a fine fellow and a good son, and I am very proud of him and want him to make the best of his talents. I am convinced he will make a good business man, and I would rather see him develop a capacity for the affairs of practical life than be the greatest author of the country. So I have advised him to repress his taste for writing, give up all thought of a literary career, and devote his energies to the business world. He has come around to my way of thinking, and is now a member of the firm. In fact, he has always been so regarded.

"As I have said, I think a man of business does more for the community in which he lives and for the world in general than a writer of books. I employ 10,000 men, and I regard giving men an opportunity to employment as the highest philanthropy.

"I began in the stock yards at a very meagre salary. This country and this city have been good to me and mine. I wish my sons to evince their patriotic loyalty by an active business career in which they may help thousands to live contentedly and honestly. A book is read by few; a large commercial or manufacturing enterprise well conducted is a blessing to the world at large."

We dissent from Mr. MORRIS'S obiter dictum that it is better to be a great pork packer than to be the greatest author in the country. All that is aside from the question. It was unnecessary to lug great authorship into a discourse upon the literary career of IRA NELSON MORRIS. The simple case before us is this: IRA had written a perfectly worthless book. Instead of encouraging him to write more such, his father persuaded him to abandon the literary career and go to packing pork, incidentally accumulating wealth and giving employment to many men. That, we say, was wise. Hog products are greater and nobler than perfectly worthless books, that is to say, than a very great part of all the books annually published in the United States.

The poet who writes "musa invita," the novelist who produces fiction from a barren fancy, the traveler who describes scenes already better described by others, and the essayist and philosopher who write what it is worth no man's while to attend to are one and all less respectably employed, and less worthy to sit at good men's feasts than Mr. IRA NELSON MORRIS since he gave up literature and took to hog products.

LOCAL PATRIOTISM.

Nothing could be more appropriate to the place and time and circumstances than the address which Prof. WOODROW WILSON made on Friday evening at the invitation of the City History Club. The proposition that "patriotism begins at home" is a very good one for all the people of the United States in the presence of schemes of expansion. But it is intensely applicable to the municipal conditions of the new and greater City of New York.

There is nothing new in Prof. WILSON'S theme. The saying is as old as the New Testament—a man cannot love GOD who does not love his brother. It is as true that a man who does not love his home cannot love his country. For the love of country is an enlargement of the love of home. There can be no such thing as a patriotic tramp. It is a literal truth that patriotism begins at home and there it at all expands. And this implies that a community which is careless about the character of its local and domestic government is not entitled to be called a patriotic community, no matter how profusely it may wrap itself in the American flag on National occasions, nor how eager it may be to acquire outlying possessions or to go to war with a foreign nation.

It must be owned that our municipalities do not in general appear very patriotic, when judged by this test. It long ago became a commonplace that municipal government was the weak point of the American system. New York is perhaps not worse, but certainly it is not better in this respect than other American cities of the first class. And there is no question that the expansion of the city into Greater New York adds to the difficulties of attaining a creditable government. What local patriotism there is in the several districts that have been added to New York has thus far been shown in the attempt to get undue advantages for themselves out of consolidation, to get out of it more than they put in. New York itself, the Borough of Manhattan, has heretofore supplied its want of more worthy manifestations of civic pride by pride in mere bigness. That cheap substitute for real local patriotism is more available than ever now that the accession of new territory and population has taken the greater city far out of the competition with any other American city as regards mere numbers.

The real problem of consolidation is to stimulate in all the quarters of the new municipality that sense of local patriotism which involves a sense of personal responsibility for the honesty, efficiency, and decency of the Municipal Government. We shall have enough, and too much, of the local patriotism which strives to get for its respective quarter more than its share of the municipal appropriations, while at the same time it is careless of the manner in which the money is spent. But this feeling not only is not favorable, but it is distinctly opposed to that sentiment of civic pride which, in the presence of stupid or corrupt government, becomes civic shame. If we can by any means get that sentiment really to pervade the metropolitan community, we shall have gone very far toward solving the problem of good municipal government. The only agency now in view is the Citizens' Union, which is confined to the Borough of Manhattan, and which is in fact an organization improvised for the purpose in which it failed, of carrying a municipal election. If this organization can be extended throughout Greater New York, carrying with it the sense of local patriotism and civic pride, the result will be most wholesome for the new city. For such an organization, sensibly and unselfishly conducted, will continually inculcate the sentiment that "Patriotism begins at home."

The Brooklyn Eagle gleefully endeavors to show that the Constitution of the State will interefere to prevent the carrying out of the rapid-transit project, and remarks in passing:

"Under these circumstances, Brooklynites who thought that this scheme could be made to swallow up the whole of the credit margin of New York, in which Brooklyn was promised participation as the reward of consolidation, may let their minds rest easy."

Now, perhaps The Eagle will tell us who promised Brooklyn participation in the credit margin as the reward of consolidation.

"Lieut. PEARY," remarked a leading geographer yesterday, "has won all our hearts by his modesty, courtesy, and learning. We put him on the same plane as Dr. NANSEN."—London Cable Dispatch.

Was that intended for a compliment or a sneer?

TOPICS OF THE TIMES.

—Attention is called by The Engineering Record to what looks like a serious blunder in the new charter. Section 578 of that instrument provides for weekly tests of the gas supplied to New York consumers, and, in case the gas of any company fails, for three consecutive weeks, below what is known as 20-candle power, a fine of $100 is to be imposed. The Record does not assert that this will surely result in a rapid or even a marked lowering of the present standard, but it says that whether deterition shall take place or not will be a question to be decided by the companies themselves, to which it would be a source of great profit, and not by the official inspectors or by the public. At present, gas of about 25-candle power is provided, and tests are made daily. With examinations only once a week, and with no penalty except for a third consecutive failure to meet requirements, and then only an insignificant one, the companies can do exactly as they please, provided they do not completely wear out the patience of a public that is proverbially long suffering. If gas below the required standard were distributed all the year round, the fines that could be imposed would amount to less than $1,750, a sum hardly worth taking into account by corporations transacting the business which these do. Daily tests are by no means unnecessarily frequent, and there is no reason why the standard should not be at least 25-candle power, with an adequate punishment for every refusal—it is absurd to say for every failure—to maintain it. In London the gas is tested three times every day at each of twenty-three stations. Evidently the gas section of our new charter was drawn up without due care or else without due knowledge. One who did not understand the case might suspect that it had been formulated by the gas companies, so curiously gentle with them are its provisions.

—A new and alarming phase of the domestic service problem is revealed by an advertisement that recently appeared in a London paper under the heading, "Situations Wanted." It reads as follows:

"As Plain Cook, General Servant, or House parlormaid; where there is a dog or dogs. Pug preferred; age 33.—E. E. S., &c."

Can it be that, hereafter, the already sharply questioned searchers after "help" will have to answer inquiries about dogs as well as about the size of the family, the frequency of days off, the privileges of cousins, the laundry facilities, and a score more of intimate matters of the same kind? Must the would-be mistress submit to scornful rejection if her taste runs to Gordon setters, while that of the possible servant inclines to cocker spaniels, or, as in this instance, to pugs? And why, oh why, should the queen of the kitchen want dogs about at all? They make extra work, and therefore one would expect them to be more or less unpopular. Come to think of it, however, there have been vague but terrible rumors regarding the thoroughness with which a dog will remove every vestige of food from a plate. In the matter of dishwashing, therefore—but this line of supposition would lead too far, and some mysteries would better be left unsolved.

—Experienced mathematicians, such as those who make out the mortality tables of insurance companies, for instance, ought at once to investigate the strange problem hidden in the news that there are only 14 surviving veterans of 1812, but 3,287 widows drawing pensions based on services rendered in that war. It is natural that there should be more, perhaps that there should be many more, widows than veterans, for some people who fight for their country do get killed, while as few die of grief as of love, but in the present instance the ratio does seem somewhat excessive. Men who participated in the struggle of 1812 could hardly have been much under twenty years of age in that year, and most of the marrying by survivors would naturally be done within the next thirty years. That brings us up to 1842—which is a good while ago.

PERSONAL.

—Mystery of the darkest sort hangs over the case of CHARLES ZANOLI, the barber who has collected a snug little fortune from insurance, chiefly on wives, and who now, in consequence of an extension of his operations beyond the family circle, finds himself confronted with direct proof of larceny and forgery, as well as with strong suspicions of a graver crime. As regards the latter, people not acquainted with the constant trafficking in life and death that goes on among the class to which ZANOLI belongs may easily ascribe undue importance to the fact that he took out so many little insurance policies. This is a common practice on the east side, and it is fostered by numberless mutual benefit organizations as well as by the regular insurance companies. In most instances it is entirely innocent, and merely provides the money required for funeral expenses. If ZANOLI'S wives and other relatives had not died so rapidly, and of diseases so strangely similar, there would have been no reason to suspect him of anything graver than dishonesty and lack of sentiment. As it is, the poison theory at once suggests itself. And in this connection account must be made of the fact that the man learned his trade in Germany many years ago, when barbers were required to know more than a little about medicine and the simpler forms of surgery. Barbering and doctoring went together in Germany long after the two arts had been separated in other countries, and it it is not impossible that ZANOLI, as a "Feldscheer," has more acquaintance with drugs than his station here would indicate.

—That was a most interesting decision in which Justice INGRAHAM drew a line through Spiritualism, so called, and separated it into permissible eccentricity of opinion and out-and-out mania. If we understand the Justice's remarks, he held that nobody's sanity should be impugned just because he or she "believes" in the possibility, or even the reality, of present communication between the living and the dead, but insisted that, if the believer is logical enough to heed the advice or the commands received from Beyond, then he or she is presumably a candidate for the madhouse and moderately sure of election. Of the practical value of this dictum we have no doubt whatever. Even those to whom Spiritualism is naught, to whom "raps" are toe-snappings, and "materialisations" of all kinds the crudest sort of juggiery, act upon the Justice's theory every time they are brought in contact with a haunter of "séances." After all, however, would it not be a simpler and more direct way of summing up the matter to say that Spiritualism in its milder forms is folly and that, without any change of quality, but only one of degree, it passes into a state of mind inconsistent with social safety, especially the safety of heirs? Human beings, for good reason, are indisposed to confine folly within narrow limits, and yet it is well enough always to recognize it as such. Certainly no convinced Spiritualist will admit that he is a madman the moment he gives convincing proof of sincerity, nor will skeptics confess that even an ineffective belief in "mediums" and their messages is compatible with perfect mental balance. So Justice INGRAHAM'S words will content neither class, for both will think that he is at once too kind and too cruel.

—Next Thursday will be the sixty-second anniversary of one of New York's "great fires," and there may be a few people who still remember the incidents that marked the conflagration. One of them, according to tradition, was the rescue of a child from a burning house by a young sailor, WILLIAM HENRY RINDGE of Portsmouth, N. H. As soon as he had placed the child in its mother's arms he disappeared in the crowd, without revealing his identity, but he told his relatives about the affair, and now they are wondering about what became of the rescued infant and whether it is still alive. Can anybody inform them?

NEW SHIPPING COMMISSIONER.

To the Editor of The New York Times:

It seems to me that the appointment of Capt. J. M. Dickey of Newburg to the position of Shipping Commissioner at the Port of New York has not received at the hands of the newspapers the consideration it deserves. You may recall that the Washington dispatches announcing the appointment assured us that the Captain had the indorsement of Senator Platt and Congressman Odell.

What the dispatches failed to mention was that the position is one of those recently classified under the Civil Service act, which requires the holding of a competitive examination after the resignation of one Commissioner before a new one can be appointed. Such an examination was recently held for the position of Shipping Commissioner at Rockland, Me. Was any held in this instance? The newspapers are silent concerning it, and there is the best of reason for believing that there was none. What, then, has occurred?

The appointment is vested by law in the Secretary of the Treasury. Has that official appointed a protégé of Mr. Platt in defiance of the civil service regulations existing on the point? He could not do so without clearly exceeding his authority. Has the President, then, temporarily exempted the office from the civil service regulations in order to enable the Secretary to make an appointment pleasing to Mr. Platt? Is this conceivable? And if he has done so, what has the Civil Service Commission to say to such a proceeding? And, finally, what kind of light does it throw upon the President's professions of interest in the reform?

It seems to me that some discussion of these various points would not be without interest to the public at large.

A BELIEVER IN CIVIL SERVICE REFORM.

New York, Dec. 10, 1897.

THE ERRORS OF MULHALL.

The English Statistician's Conclusions as to the Southern States in Need of Revision.

Written for THE NEW YORK TIMES by J. E. MACGOWAN.

In the July (1897) issue of The North American Review, Pages 42-51, there appeared a statistical discussion of the Southern States of this Republic, by Michael G. Mulhall, the English statistician, author, and educator. In the course of this article the writer makes several erroneous statements; he draws some absurd conclusions; he institutes some misleading comparisons. He presents, as if their conditions were essentially alike, the Middle group and the Southern group of States, when an amateur in his line should know that no such comparison could be fair, except it were accompanied by an explanation of the radically different social, political, and industrial environments and history of the two sections. He gives not a hint of such explanation. I will notice some of the faults in this article, in the order in which they occur:

1. Mr. Mulhall habitually uses our census of 1870 as one of his starting points, though he must know that, as they concern the South, the returns are very erroneous in almost everything except such data as were obtained from State, county, and city records, and in the matter of estimated true values. In all other than these items that census is greatly misleading in its Southern statistics; and Mr. Mulhall knew the fact, for Gen. Francis A. Walker, who superintended its taking, pointed out its failings very distinctly, and tried to patch some of the worst "breaks."

2. Mr. Mulhall says, on Page 44: "The climate is little suited to Europeans, if we are to judge from the fact that foreigners, in 1890, composed only two per cent. of the population." No hint here or elsewhere that any other cause than "climate" may have deterred foreigners from coming into our States. Did he not know that the great cause of sparse foreign-born white population in the South is the presence there of 8,000,000 negroes? If he did not know this he should read up to better purpose than he has done before, when next he prepares to review this section. He means, of course, to convey the idea that the Southern climate is unhealthy for white Europeans. Yet it is a fact that tens of thousands from Europe and from the Northern and Eastern States visit the South in Summer and in Winter in search of health. It is further a fact that statistics of mortality covering the period from 1890 to 1890 show that the Southern white people are the healthiest people in the civilized world. In relation to Southern foreign population, he says the few we have "are mostly in Texas and Florida." Texas has seven per cent. of foreign-born population, Florida six per cent.; and our writer attributes to the foreigners in those States "the higher average of wealth they show, compared to the most of the South." He did not, apparently, realize that the high per capita wealth in the two States named arose from the vast area of valuable land compared to the small population. Texas, with the area of France, had a population of 2,235,000 in 1890; Florida has an area of a quarter greater than New York, and less than 400,000 population. If foreign population is such a wealth-getter as Mr. Mulhall seems to think, it should do better by the States of Maine, New Hampshire, and Vermont. Those small communities have about half as much foreign population as the whole South, and they fell off nearly $100,000,000 in true value in the decade ending 1890, and not a Southern State gained so little as $100,000,000 in that period.

3. Mr. Mulhall, Page 44, says that though the South "has a farm area of 5½ acres per inhabitant it fails to raise enough grain for its requirements." I do not know what he includes in the term "grain." The South has for a good many years raised more of corn than its people required. Large quantities of Southern-grown corn are yearly exported to Europe from New Orleans, Newport News, and Baltimore. The South raises comparatively little small grain, for the reason that but a trifle of Southern land is adapted to the profitable production of wheat. The Middle and Eastern States have large cotton and woolen textile industries, but they raise no cotton and less than 5 per cent. of the wool their mills consume. Does Mr. Mulhall know why this is so?

4. On Page 57 Mr. Mulhall tells his readers that the native population—the masses, white and black—in the South are deplorably illiterate. Then he compares the school attendance of the whole people in 1880 with the attendance in 1890 to show how small the progress has been in this department. Is it possible he did not know that one-third of the people in 1880 did not go to school at all—the slaves—whereas in 1890 there were public schools for both races? Whether he did know the truth or not, he makes the comparison of school enrollment in the two years precisely as if the conditions were the same!

Many other unjust aspersions arising from carelessness, ignorance, or design are cast on the South in the nine pages Mr. Mulhall's article occupies, but what are noticed in the foregoing will suffice to show the character of the whole production.

It is true that the South is somewhat in arrears. Her labor system was a heavy handicap for a hundred years. Its destruction by revolution, and the time and cost of its reconstruction, have been expensive. The ruin wrought by four years of war, for which the South was the battle ground of 3,500,000 soldiers, of whom 2,320,000 were invaders and 1,180,000 defenders, was a severe set-back. The task of leading up to a higher standard a labor class composed of 4,250,000 liberated slaves and their progeny has been hard and costly. Giving proper weight to all the facts affecting Southern commercial and industrial development in the forty years covered by Mr. Mulhall's analysis, it will still appear that this quarter of the country has done a fair share to illustrate and emphasize American enterprise and intelligently directed endeavor.

And with one who makes proper allowance for adverse conditions it must be incomprehensible that a professional statistician and historiographer of industrial development should compare the South with the Middle group of States, as if the opportunities and circumstances of the two had, all along, been essentially alike, thus seeming to be laboring to bring his readers to the conclusion that he held Southern mental and physical inertia, general Southern inefficiency, and Southern "climate," as the causes of Southern backwardness; but one hardly needs to argue that such a method is wrong, deceptive, does the subject injury and injustice, wherever it has any influence.

The eleven States of the late Confederacy, with Kentucky and West Virginia, compose the section known as "the South." Let us see whether this section has progressed during the period 1870-1890, and under what conditions the people have worked up to the position they now occupy. The statement below presents a faint idea of what the civil war cost the South in fixed wealth. It gives the estimated true value of all property, real and personal, in the thirteen Southern States, at the beginning of the war, and five years after the close of the war:

1860..	$5,007,000,000
1870.	2,738,000,000
Loss	$2,269,000,000

This loss appears at the end of five years of peace and recuperation. It may be said this was chiefly caused by the conversion of the slaves into citizens; but that would be a serious error. To show how the South suffered in other ways besides through the abolition of slavery, note the volume and value of the cotton crops, at the beginning of the war and in 1870.

The crop of 1860 was 4,669,000 bales, gold value, $225,979,000.

The crop of 1870 was 3,144,000 bales; gold value, $182,505,000, a loss of $43,474,000, and this after five years of industry to restore the statu quo ante bellum. The average crop of 1866-'9 was 2,560,000 bales; and the cotton production in those years is an example of the declension of all production over the South.

Did the South display ability to recover the great losses mentioned? The following statement of the estimated true value of real and personal property in the thirteen States, 1870-1880, will answer:

1870..	$2,738,000,000
1880.	6,448,000,000
Gain	$3,710,000,000

The increase in the decade was something surprising, has no precedent in the country's statistical history. Even after making large allowance for undervaluation in 1870, and overvaluation in 1880, the development was phenomenal. It is certain that the South added more than 100 per cent. to the fixed wealth of the people in that ten years.

The gain in the next decade was normal and altogether satisfactory. The statement follows:

1880.	$6,448,000,000
1890.	9,631,000,000
Gain	$3,173,000,000

The gain in this decade was 51 per cent. plus.

The gain in estimated true value of all property in the New England States was from $4,878,000,000 in 1880, to $6,224,000,000 in 1890, an increase of $1,346,000,000, or a trifle over 27 per cent., against the South's 51 per cent.

The Middle States in the decade 1880-1890 made the tremendous gain of 61 per cent. in value of real and personal estate.

It will be said that the statistics of estimated true value only approximate the truth. True; and the same is true of some of the most "taking" figures which Mr. Mulhall uses in a manner that belittles Southern progress. If the statistics here cited are approximate only, they are as fair to one group of States as to another.

In per capita wealth the South gained in 1880-1890 22 per cent. New England gained 1.8 per cent. in the same period. The Middle States gained 3 per cent. The per capita wealth in the Middle group is about double what it is for the South.

Southern labor is not yet educated up to the Eastern and Middle State level of skill and efficiency; yet the South has expended on public schools, for the negro children, about $46,000,000 since 1873. One-third of the entire receipts from State taxes over the South is laid out on the schools, and in all the States but one the negro child has an equal amount spent for its schooling with the white child.

In Mr. Mulhall's closing paragraphs he says: "The condition of the Southern States is unsatisfactory, not merely because in education, industry, and wealth they are much behind the rest of the Union, but because, owing to want of facilities, their resources are not properly developed. * * * More schools, more railways, more banks are needed in the Southern States." Which is much as if the learned gentleman had said the same things of the comparatively backward condition of Great Britain at the beginning of the Victorian era, after comparing Great Britain at that date with the Great Britain of the last quarter of the nineteenth century.

The South had 12,000 miles of railway in 1870.

The mileage is now 43,000 miles.

The South's cottonseed product was worth $741,000 in 1886, and $33,000,000 in 1896.

The South was unknown as a market gardener, fruit, berry, and melon raiser in 1870. These States now annually supply their own requirements, except a trifle to ripen, and sell of these products about $15,000,000 yearly in Northern and Eastern cities. The coast and inland marshes raise $4,000,000 worth of rice yearly, meeting the home demand and leaving a surplus for outsiders.

These and many other items that singly run into millions are not often noticed by those who write of the South at long range.

J. E. MACGOWAN.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Dec. 10, 1897.

NUGGETS.

Keeping the Peace.

Mrs. Prye—Folks are saying that you don't get along well with your neighbors.

Mrs. Hitt—That's very true; but I get along admirably without them.—Boston Transcript.

Can't Meet the Demand.

If Arthur Pue Gorman had the legs of a centipede and the feet of an Alexandrian verse he could not provide shoes enough for all the candidates in Maryland that stand ready to step into them.—Buffalo Enquirer.

Color Effects.

Mr. Murray Hill—It is odd what queer effects colors have upon persons.

Mr. Point Breeze—What effects are you thinking of?

Mr. Murray Hill—On a gray day I am always blue.—Pittsburg Chronicle Telegraph.

The Doubter.

The Optimist—Any man can make a living if he will only try. Why, I read this morning of a man who cleared over $400 on an acre of horseradish alone.

The Pessimist—I'll bet it wasn't horseradish alone. I'll bet four to one that it was half turnips.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Sympathetic.

Mr. Brown—Terrible tragedy at a bargain counter. A woman who had secured the last five yards of cheap silk was shot by another woman who had been waiting from midnight without having a chance to get any.

Mrs. Brown—Poor thing! Surely, they won't do anything to her, will they, John?—Harlem Life.

The Test of Good Nature.

Fuddy—There is one thing that can be said of Mercer; he lives up to the injunction of the golden rule.

Duddy—In what manner, pray?

Fuddy—When he tells Groper a good story Groper never laughs at it; but when a few days later Groper tells the same story to Mercer, Mercer laughs as though he would split.—Boston Transcript.

A TRIBUTE.

From The Chicago Record.

God made the burro as he is,
Wherefore men should not gibe
At those quaint oddities of his
Which mark his patient tribe:
His gloomy mournfulness; his meek
And dilatory way;
His morals more or less oblique,
And eke his doleful bray.

There may be—and, indeed, there are,
Beasts fairer far to see;
The lion in particular,
Or horse of Araby,
Or proud gazelle, or elephant,
Or doe of slender limb—
But all of these united can't
Scale my regard for him.

A stranger, seeing him at first,
With bowed and humble head,
Would count him as about the worst
Bluff at a quadruped;
But let that stranger, studious,
Ponder the beast sedate,
And soon he'll count the little cuss
A thing supremely great.

Although devoid of style or speed,
Or any sort of fame,
Or pedigree, or "blood," indeed,
He gets there just the same;
With more than half a ton of freight
Lashed on with ropes and stays,
He starts off at a jogging gait
That fills you with amaze.

To diggings new he slowly steers,
And leads the mining horde—
He's first among the engineers
When mountains must be bored,
Or bridges spun from height to height
For traffic's whirring wheel,
Bearing with simple-hearted might
His pyramid of steel.

He gave the world the boundless West,
Treasured with precious ore;
He climbed the mountains' snowy crest
And stole their priceless store.
Promoting commerce where he goes,
The ragged brute is found
Dejected, gloomy, with his nose
Swung just above the ground.

And even when he is retired,
A superannuate,
He's yet a creature much admired
And held in honor great;
For all the children roundabout,
A gladsome merry pack,
Lift up their cheery tones and shout
Six deep upon his back.

God made the burro as he is,
Wherefore men should not gibe
At those small oddities of his
Which mark his worthy tribe;
No wondrous speeding has he scored,
Like Star, or Robert J.—
He's quite content to serve the Lord
With steel-trussed vertebræ.

...AN CABINET CRISIS

...Marquis di Rudini Declared in an Official Note Unable to Form a Ministry.

...E CALLS UPON THE KING

...Failure of the Premier to Reconstruct the Government Probably Due to the Attitude of the Marquis Visconti Venosta.

...ROME Dec. 12.—An official note announces that the Marquis di Rudini, having ...ar failed to form a Cabinet, visited ...Humbert at 11 o'clock this evening ...acquaint his Majesty with the state of ...airs.

The late Cabinet, headed by the Marquis ...Rudini, resigned on Sunday last, following the resignation of Gen. Pelloux, the ...inister of War, as a protest against the ...otion of Parliament in amending, contrary to his advice, a bill dealing with army promotions. It was well understood, however, that the ulterior reason for the retirement of the full Cabinet was the belief that such a course was necessary in order to make it possible for the Marquis di Rudini to eliminate certain irreconcilable elements and to secure a Ministry that would be unanimous.

The success of Di Rudini has been prejudiced by the hesitation of the Marquis Visconti Venosta, Minister of Foreign Affairs in the late Ministry, to accept the Foreign portfolio in the reconstructed Cabinet, which, it had been understood, would include Signor Zanardelli. In a dispatch from Rome on Friday last it was asserted that the Marquis Di Rudini had completed the task of reconstructing the Cabinet, Marquis Visconti Venosta having accepted the Foreign Office portfolio, and that the list of members of the new Ministry would be officially issued on Saturday.

HAITIAN MINISTRY RESIGNS.

A New Cabinet Expected to Command General Confidence—All Quiet at Port au Prince.

PORT AU PRINCE, Dec. 12.—The entire Ministry has resigned. As yet the composition of its successor has not been settled definitely, but several well-known names are mentioned that would command the confidence of Haitians and foreigners alike.

This morning, after attending mass at Notre Dame, President Simon Sam made a circuit of the city on horseback, escorted by his staff officers, but without special military display.

The city has now resumed its normal aspect.

NO NUNCIO FOR CANADA.

The Request Probably Withdrawn for Political Considerations.

ROME, Dec. 12.—It is reaffirmed here that Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Dominion Premier, asked the Vatican to establish a Nunciature in Canada. Baron Charles Russell, Lord Chief Justice of England, came to Rome about the end of last month to repeat the request.

It is probable, therefore, that the denial of the report issued from Ottawa was for political considerations, and it leads to the supposition that nothing will be done in the matter.

GERMAN SUGAR BOUNTIES.

Effect of the Dingley Tariff a Reason for Their Abolition.

BERLIN, Dec. 12.—The greater part of the speech of Baron von Thielmann, Secretary of the Treasury, in presenting the budget to the Reichstag last Friday was devoted to sugar.

He said the rôle America played in the sugar question resembled that of a pike in a carp pond, and that the effect of the Dingley tariff had been to increase the necessity for the carp to combine forces against the common enemy. The abolition of the sugar bounties, he declared, could only be a gain to Germany, and he was glad to inform the House that the latest negotiations opened in this direction promised a more successful issue.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The Times, referring to-day to rumors that the British Government contemplates imposing countervailing duties on bounty-fed sugar, asserts that the Government has decided nothing except to inquire as to what would be the effect of such duties, because it is anticipated that a Europpean conference may be held ere long to discuss the possibility of abolishing the bounty system.

THE GERMANS IN CHINA.

England Not to Oppose Them if Let Alone in Egypt.

LONDON, Dec. 13.—The Berlin correspondent of The Daily Mail says he hears that Great Britain agrees not to oppose Germany's occupation of Kiao-Chau in return for Germany's promise not to interfere in the Egyptian question.

According to a dispatch from Shanghai to the same paper, the Germans are extending the area of occupation at Kiao-Chau, and now control 400 square miles. They have arranged a German administration, and are already collecting duties.

The Tsung-li-Yemen, says the dispatch, has appointed a Prince to negotiate a settlement with the Germans.

THE CLAUSEN ESTATE TAX.

English Court Decides Against the New York Breweries Company.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—In the case of the Crown against the New York Breweries Company, the Court of Appeal yesterday affirmed the right of the Crown to enforce against the company the payment of probate duty on shares held by the late Charles C. Clausen, an American citizen who resided in New York, thus reversing the decision of the lower court. The company intends to appeal to the House of Lords.

The Bark Agia Trias Wrecked.

LONDON, Dec. 12.—The Grecian bark Agia Trias, Capt. Cokinojenis, from Mobile, Aug. 4, for Buenos Ayres, was disabled in a hurricane and abandoned at sea. The members of the crew are at Montevideo.

The Dreyfus Story Denied.

PARIS, Dec. 12.—An official denial was issued to-day of the story published yesterday by the Intransigeant, which purported to be "the real story of the Dreyfus affair," which was to the effect that Capt. Dreyfus, having determined to leave the French Army, wrote to Emperor William, asking to be admitted to the German Army with the same rank as he held, and that Emperor William replied through the German Embassy at Paris that it would be preferable for Dreyfus to serve Germany in the post he then occupied, as he would be regarded as a German officer on a mission to France, and in the event of war would take his rank in the German Army.

Mob Law Court in Mississippi.

HAZELHURST, Miss., Dec. 12.—Three negroes were arrested and placed on trial before an impromptu court yesterday on the charge of being accomplices of Lewis, who was hanged by a mob last week for the murder of Mrs. Smith and her four children, in Lawrence County. The negroes were, after a long trial, declared not guilty, but were given until Monday to leave the country.

Killed by Michigan Central Train.

ST. THOMAS, Ontario, Dec. 12.—An express train on the Michigan Central Railroad struck a carriage containing two men at a level crossing near Tilsonburg, to-day. Hector Lloyd was hurled 100 feet and instantly killed. Charles Chambers, his companion, was seriously injured and may die.

DR. ABBOTT ON ST. PAUL.

In Reply to Questions, the Preacher Briefly Outlines His Belief on Many Interesting Points.

The Rev. Dr. Lyman Abbott last night delivered in Plymouth Church the last of the four introductory sermons in his course on St. Paul. Next Sunday he will take up the teaching of the apostle. The sermon dealt with the early church, and after it was over the usual question meeting was held, at which persons in the congregation questioned the preacher on the subject of Paul's life and teaching.

One man asked Dr. Abbott why Paul was called "St. Paul." Dr. Abbott replied that there was no more reason for the name "St. Paul" than for the name "St. John Smith." There was, he said, no aristocracy in goodness. The word saint simply meant "holy," and it was, therefore, possible for any one to be a saint and deserve the name. Dr. Abbott said he had no patience with the doctrine that a man must keep on sinning and repenting and sinning the same sins over.

In reply to another question, Dr. Abbott said he believed in the immaculate birth of Christ, but that he did not consider that belief necessary to a belief in the divinity of Christ.

A question concerning inspiration brought forth the reply that in the preacher's belief God inspired men now as well as of old. He himself, however, had never felt the certain knowledge that he had been inspired to do some particular thing, as he had heard other people declare.

In answer to a question concerning Christ's denunciation of divorce, Dr. Abbott said he thought it applied only to the easy way of putting away a wife under the Roman and Jewish law. He said he himself did not approve of divorces, except on the ground of infidelity.

In the sermon which preceded the question meeting Dr. Abbott told of the lack of organization in the Church in Paul's time. The Greek word for church meant simply a political gathering. There was no creed, no ritual, no officers. The Lord's Prayer was given simply as general instruction concerning the manner of prayer. There was no divine authority for the change from the Jewish Sabbath to the Christian Sunday.

Concerning baptism, the preacher said that the earliest picture of the rite depicted Jesus and John standing in water to their waists, and John pouring water on the head of Jesus. Sprinkling was unknown in that time as a method of baptism.

In speaking of the organization of the Church, Dr. Abbott described the gradual development of the Bishop from the overseer appointed to distribute charity, or the Presbyterians, the Congregationalists, the Episcopalians, each had as much right as the others to claim apostolic authority.

IN DEFENSE OF THE BIBLE.

The Rev. Dr. Behrends's Indirect Reply to Dr. Abbott's Criticisms.

The Rev. Dr. A. J. F. Behrends began last night a series of sermons on the principles of the Christian religion, in the Central Congregational Church, on Bedford Avenue, near Hancock Street, Brooklyn. The subject of the first sermon was, "What Is the Bible?" During Dr. Lyman Abbott's sermons on "The Bible as Literature" last Winter, Dr. Behrends appeared as the champion of the theological doctrines which Dr. Abbott opposed, and there was a controversy between them. It was thought by many that Dr. Behrends would have something to say concerning Dr. Abbott's attitude in his sermon last night, but he refrained from alluding to the subject, except in an indirect way. After telling of the Bible's glorious history and mission, he said:

"The authority with which the Bible is invested is simply the authority of Jesus Christ. Let us follow Him in His use of the Old Testament, no matter what our critical opinions may be. His faith was nourished upon its breast. When, in the temptation in the wilderness, He was assailed by the devil, He repulsed him by its use. He used his knowledge of the Word to meet the onslaught of the fiercest enemies. He put on the broad seal of His indefeasible authority upon the Bible. I don't care who goes the other way; I am going to follow Him.

"These Bible writers spoke for God, but they spoke for Him only in regard to those things which touch human salvation. The core of the message is that Jesus came into the world to save sinners. That invests Him with infallible authority, because He is God made manifest in the flesh; the junction of heaven and of earth; the everlasting wedlock of the eternal and the temporal; God and man, divine throughout and human throughout. His authority settles the whole question. He indorses the testimony of prophets."

ST. GABRIEL'S ANGELUS BELL.

Archbishop Corrigan Blesses It in Bishop Farley's Church—An Idea Suggested in Mexico.

The new angelus bell for St. Gabriel's Church, in East Thirty-seventh Street, was blessed last evening by Archbishop Corrigan in the present of a large congregation. The church was so crowded that the aisles were filled from the altar to the entrance.

The bell was set up in the sanctuary. The Archbishop was assisted by Father Colton of St. Stephen's and Father Farrell of the Church of Holy Innocents. Bishop Farley, who is the pastor of the church, celebrated vespers, assisted by the Rev. Dean McKernan of Westchester and Father Dougherty of the Mission of the Immaculate Virgin. Father Myhan of St. Patrick's Cathedral officiated as master of ceremonies at vespers. Father Donnelly, the Archbishop's Secretary, acted as master of ceremonies at the blessing of the bell. The benediction was given by the Archbishop. Seated within the altar rail were Fathers McKiernan, Quinn, Thornton, McCue, McCarthy, and McKenna.

Bishop Farley spoke of a memorial trip he made recently to Mexico, and related how reverently and with what solemnity he witnessed the feast of Lady of Guadaloupe. All the angelus bells in the city in which the feast was being celebrated were rung, and their tolling made such an impression on his mind that he determined to have an angelus bell placed in his church upon his return.

The bell will be hung in the spire of the edifice, and will be rung at morn, noon, and night.

NOT SO BAD AS JERUSALEM.

What Christ Might Think of New York if He Were to Come Here.

"If Christ were to come to New York He would find it to be better than He found Jerusalem," was the belief expressed by one of the speakers at the seventy-first anniversary of the New York City Mission, which was celebrated last evening in the Madison Avenue Reformed Church, at Madison Avenue and Fifty-seventh Street. Those who delivered addresses were: Stephen Baker, John E. Parsons, the Rev. Henry T. McEwen, D. D., and Mrs. L. S. Bainbridge.

Mrs. Bainbridge said that she wished to raise her voice in protest against the terms "slums" and "lower classes." "The poor objected to them," she said. "I have discovered many noble characters in the downtown districts, and they hardly deserve to be classed with the degraded. We admit that we belong to the poorer classes, but not to the lower classes, is the way they usually put the objection."

ST. JAMES'S ANNIVERSARY.

Organized in 1830 as a Mission to Cover Most of Manhattan Island.

Services were held yesterday to commemorate the fifty-fourth anniversary of the founding of St. James's Methodist Episcopal Church. The church edifice is now at One Hundred and Twenty-sixth Street and Madison Avenue. The church was organized as a mission in 1830, and its territory embraced everything above Twentieth Street to King's Bridge. The mission house was set up in 1833, in One Hundred and Twenty-fifth Street, between Third and Fourth Avenues. When Lexington Avenue was cut through in 1870, the church building was torn down, and in 1871 the present edifice was erected.

The Rev. Dr. A. D. Vail, pastor of the Park Avenue Church, who was pastor of the St. James Church from 1832 to 1834, preached the sermon yesterday morning. From 9:30 to 10 o'clock there was an informal gathering of the older members of the congregation. In the afternoon there were addresses by the Rev. E. S. Tipple, the pastor, and by the Superintendent of the Sunday school, J. C. Tackaberry.

When the mission was organized there were seventy-one members. The congregation now numbers 650 members, and the church is in good financial condition.

THE NEW WOMAN'S IDEALS

The Rev. Dr. Eaton Says She Has a Right to Do Anything She Can Do Well.

WIFEHOOD HER BEST CAREER

She Is Entitled to as Much Freedom of Choice in Self-Development as Are Men—Lessons of Sarah Grand's Latest Novel.

The topic of the Rev. Dr. Charles Eaton's lecture last night in the series which for some time he has been engaged in delivering on current fiction was "The Beth Book" and "The Evolution of a Woman's Character." The congregation of the Church of the Divine Paternity assembled as usual in the edifice of St. Stephen's Church, in West Forty-sixth Street, near Sixth Avenue. Dr. Eaton's remarks, after he had narrated the chief episodes of the story, were mainly devoted to defining the present and the ideal social position of the "new woman."

"There can be no doubt," he said, "that the last half of the century has served as the cradle of the 'new woman.' The ideals, the activities, the successes of the last few decades are not those that appealed to the imagination of our female ancestry. Sarah Grand is the mouthpiece of emancipated woman. The standards of womanliness which she raises are different from those which an earlier generation defended. Recognising that every woman's character is largely affected by its environment and the spirit of the age in which it is fashioned, the author seeks in 'The Beth Book' to describe the evolution of woman's character.

"The work of Sarah Grand very well outlines the present ideal of womanhood. For the first time the principle of the sacredness of the individual is applied to women. Woman has fought for this during centuries of growth; that is what the long evolution of democracy means; but is only recently that she has been looked upon as an individual with property rights, privileges of education, and of an independent career. It was but yesterday that to woman was granted freedom of person in the choice and realisation of marriage. At the end of the nineteenth century it is generally admitted that she has the right to do anything that she can well do.

"In the evolution of woman's character our author rightly affirms heredity to have an important place. Mental and moral influences prior to the birth of an individual exercise sometimes a tyrannical effect upon his or her life. Beth was lacking in directness and force. All her life she dallied. This was largely due to the influence of a half-hearted and hesitating mother—a mother whose individuality, according to the old-time theory, was supposed to be rightfully subordinated to her husband.

New Woman's Self-Consciousness.

"Education occupies also an important place in the development of woman's character. Women should have systematic and regular training, and the same advantages as her brother. It is not so much what one learns as the discipline one gains from education. Woman has learned to study human life, to come into sympathy with nature, to gain the inspiration of individual friendship. As the result of the movements of the last half-century she has entered upon a public career. It is as true to-day as it was when the genial 'Autocrat' wrote it: 'Brain women do not interest us as much as heart women'; but it must be said that a public career is entirely compatible with true womanliness.

"There are women who 'shriek on platforms,' but men are not altogether guiltless in this particular. The large number of women's clubs and federations and political leagues, the columns devoted to women's life in the press, indicate the new prominence given to woman and her work. Most women who are following a public career are cramped and rendered disagreeable by undue self-consciouness; but it must be remembered that they are in the attitude of those who are constantly under criticism and attack. Such influences have their effect both upon the manner and the matter of a life.

"Woman, more than ever before, is at the centre of the conscience and religious life of our time. She has been forced into work as a means of livelihood, and, as the result of our experience, certain principles have been adopted which must be applied to her on these lines: First, woman must have absolute freedom of choice, combined with respect for purposes which are sincere and honorable; second, there should be equal wages for equal work, and third, there must be the same standard of value and the same responsibility for women as for men.

Wifehood and Motherhood the Best.

"The world should be ready to recognize the difficulties which confront woman in her career, because of centuries of suppression, if not of oppression; but the new thought will not tolerate such statements as 'It is very good—for a woman.' I cannot believe, however, that what is called a public career will be in the future anything more than an exception for women. Wifehood and motherhood are the noblest of careers. When men and husbands recognize in the home life the sacredness of the individual there will be more fortunate marriages and less complaint and restlessness on the part of women.

"In the home there should be mutual recognition, privacy as well as association; opportunity for the woman to study and grow, according to her own conscience and ideals. The account of the hidden chamber where alone Beth could work is pathetic, but I fear it has many counterparts in actual life. When the heroine of the story was under her husband's influence, she saw the evil side of life only, and was filled with bitterness, because he was an evil-minded man. Loaden meant for her in those days the dirt and squalor of the poor, the depravity of the rich, the fiendish triumph of the lowest of men, and the horrible degradation of her own sex

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Notice is hereby given that Three hundred and ninety-nine ($99) of the General First Mortgage Bonds of the Northern Pacific Railroad Company were this day drawn for the Sinking Fund, in accordance with the requirements of Articles Eleven and Twelve of the Trust Mortgage, numbered as follows, viz.:

214	7666	13135	16592	29818	37468	48005
282	7760	13188	16651	29326	37473	48134
292	7765	13208	16652	29387	37578	48409
300	7823	13209	16695	29341	37627	48725
309	8066	13468	16717	29345	37990	48841
336	8104	13582	16744	29358	37991	48916
401	8181	13586	16757	29378	38339	48916
410	8232	13590	16758	29485	38462	48940
550	8235	13604	16791	29472	38931	49000
722	8479	13746	16841	29580	39059	49162
728	8491	13922	16894	29578	39709	49166
3918	8708	14010	16958	30050	39810	49169
3922	8770	14024	17014	30123	41421	49330
3925	8783	14084	17024	30273	41473	49340
3931	8784	14088	17134	30283	41509	49913
4042	8830	14071	17126	30526	41611	49918
4167	9042	14090	17146	30807	41636	49925
4245	9075	14111	17149	30831	41655	49927
5467	9083	14160	17162	30834	42532	50023
5661	9465	14195	17169	30892	42539	50299
5674	9527	14425	17211	31389	42612	50536
5684	10026	14460	17262	31432	43305	50622
5697	10212	14478	17263	31448	43351	50694
5732	10291	14483	17264	31464	43604	51108
5825	10411	14529	17677	32061	43853	51242
5832	10539	14812	17742	32775	44115	51243
5910	10803	14827	17878	32800	44117	51252
5917	10953	14852	17881	32128	44119	51268
5919	11071	14873	17900	33139	44122	51294
5938	11072	14884	18063	33147	44134	51297
5978	11112	15146	18150	33901	44143	51420
6026	11230	15149	18157	33973	44284	51837
6230	11371	15156	18187	33676	44250	51858
6322	11375	15157	18194	33991	44278	51888
6376	11532	15158	18218	34000	44504	51965
6455	11545	15222	18220	34050	44630	52048
6509	11848	15236	20649	34022	44635	52064
6602	12055	15365	20650	34207	44905	52059
6635	12068	15376	20671	34306	45234	52097
6705	12109	15408	20676	34480	45827	52120
6723	12410	15409	20697	34539	45829	52139
6727	12421	15533	21010	34650	45456	52161
6733	12437	15602	21053	34710	45493	52273
6748	12472	15653	21065	34726	45652	52376
6791	12475	15722	21066	34769	45653	52384
6894	12496	15847	21446	34949	46505	53463
6907	12499	15883	21624	34961	46718	52540
6977	12504	15889	23617	35168	46944	52768
7094	12505	15919	23642	35169	47129	52788
7084	12506	16042	23643	35220	47175	52839
7148	12508	16074	23611	35786	47181	53901
7339	12548	16120	28706	35810	47251	52919
7372	12801	16184	28721	35833	47258	53050
7389	12545	16252	28907	37043	47273	53060
7449	12859	16436	28742	36787	47563	53154
7512	12884	16463	28795	36792	47564	53307
7611	13017	16540	29019	36980	47926	53384

All future interest of any of the bonds so designated ceases with the coupons due January 1, 1898, in accordance with the terms of the mortgage.
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THE FINANCIAL MARKETS

"On the financial page of THE NEW YORK TIMES yesterday special attention was given to the present activity and strength shown by the bond markets, and stress laid upon the remarkable advances which investment securities have made during the present year as significant of the widespread confidence among conservative investors.

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Apropos of this, interest will attach to a comparison of the bond transactions on the New York Stock Exchange in the various months of 1897 as compared with those of 1896. The enormous increases in bond sales this year over those of 1896 will be readily seen by a glance at the following table:

Month.	1896.	1897.	
January ..	$36,719,700	$36,712,370	†$7,330
February ..	37,907,100	36,767,220	†*$40,880
March	41,563,800	34,324,976	*$6,240,824
April	37,853,600	21,266,100	*16,587,500
May	29,210,200	24,629,220	*$4,519,020
June	24,446,000	45,100,900	*20,612,900
July	21,280,850	53,224,070	*$1,944,220
August ..	18,492,000	75,105,770	*56,613,770
Septmb'r.	23,894,100	98,127,190	*44,233,090
October ..	27,695,200	39,321,300	*11,626,100
N'vemb'r.	46,817,900	28,044,090	†18,273,760
December (10 days)	15,673,400	$1,971,180	*$16,297,780
Totals..	$346,144,650	$504,107,270	*$157,962,620

*Increase. †Decrease.

The only months showing decreases of any consequence over the same months last year were April and November. For these shrinkages there were special reasons. In April, 1897, was the extra session of Congress, with its tariff tinkering and the consequent halting in general business. In November, 1896, was the election of President McKinley, and the defeat of the free silver party, which made the bond sales in the month larger than in any other month of the year. In November, 1897, there was the reaction from the previous activity. Thus the two Novembers compare unfavorably for 1897. In August, 1897, bond sales reached the enormous total of $75,000,000, a record which has not been equaled in any month for many years.

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A perusal of the foregoing table of bond sales makes plain something which every student of the stock market is well acquainted with—the close relationship of bond market activity with stock market prices. In April, 1897, the bond market was less active than in any other month of the year, and it will be remembered that stock market prices in that month were at their lowest. During the ensuing three months there was a steady increase in the sales of bonds, and there was a steady appreciation in stock market values. In August and September the bond markets were most active, and stocks were high. In October and November there was a falling off in bonds, and a falling off in stock quotations. In December there has been substantial increase in bond sales, and the upward tendency of the stock market has simultaneously reasserted itself.

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Transactions in stocks during the past week aggregated 2,021,387 shares, an increase of nearly 200,000 shares as compared with the previous week.

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Sugar Trust was most extensively traded, the sales amounting to over 400,000 shares, with a net advance for the week of 3⅝ per cent. St. Paul was second in activity, with 187,894 shares and a net gain of 1 per cent. Northern Pacific preferred took a place among the leaders, and in the latter days of the week was one of the most active stocks on the list. Its total was 114,696 shares, and the price rose 2⅜ per cent. The trading in Burlington amounted to 111,189 shares, with a gain of 1½ per cent. Manhattan and Missouri Pacific both scored sharp advances, the former rising 3⅜ and the latter 3⅝ per cent. Tobacco made the greatest advance of the active stocks, gaining 4½ per cent. Of the 50 stocks which changed 1 per cent. or more, 41 advanced.

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The bond market was particularly active, the sales amounting to $20,173,500, a total comparing favorably with weeks in the previous active periods. The demand was widespread, and while the transactions in the lower-priced properties were heaviest, there was still a good demand for the more expensive issues. There was no falling off as the week advanced, Saturday's total being proportionately as great as that of the preceding days. Of the 51 bonds changed 1 per cent. or more, 48 are up and only 3 down.

BUSINESS OUTLOOK BRIGHT.

Heads of important concerns in trade and finance express confidently their opinions that the recent improvement in business is but the beginning of an era of National prosperity. There is agreement among them that, barring legislative interference, an onward course of profitable business must result from the development of American resources. Mr. J. D. Vermeule, President of the Holland Trust Company, and holding a like responsible position in the Goodyear Rubber Manufacturing Company, talked on business and financial conditions to a representative of THE NEW YORK TIMES yesterday. Mr. Vermeule said:

"As to business generally, I do not see how the conditions could be much more satisfactory than they are. In the line with which I am immediately concerned—rubber goods—we have been very busy since April last, and have had in hand more orders than it was possible for us to fill for months ahead. The prospects at present are excellent, and a lively time is just at hand with the holiday trade that will soon be upon us. Collections are particularly satisfactory; they have never been better. Payments are made when due with unusual promptness.

"Stocks, I think, will go much higher between now and the coming February. People with funds are looking for investments in various good-paying securities, and market values must necessarily appreciate with the advent of these investors to the market. They cannot afford to stay out, and I think it is becoming evident to those who have money to invest that it will be a losing game to wait. Railway earnings are larger than they were, and the increases are kept up continuously. Better dividends will be paid on all good stocks. I believe, therefore, that there will be an upward movement in stocks, and that we shall see foreign investments made in American securities to an extent we do not now expect.

"The outlook for the entire country is exceptionally good, and if the Administration at Washington does not make any mistakes there will be a future of prosperity in every branch of trade. There is no good ground for assuming that the Administration will have other than a healthy, steadying effect on the country's business. The message of President McKinley was entirely satisfactory on the Spanish-Cuban matter. If the Senate and the House of Representatives will go to work and carry out the ideas contained in that message and in the recommendations of Secretary Gage on the currency question, I believe we will have settled those questions for all time.

"I have strong hopes that the country will not have any more of these upsetting changes, which act adversely to business at all times and which have inflicted disaster upon us in the last few years. In times of legislative changes business men are uncertain of where they stand and hesitate to embark in new enterprises. Now that they apprehend nothing from any such action, there is every willingness to invest capital and share in the National prosperity. What the country needs is a permanent currency and permanent tariff.

"We are exporting so largely to purchasers in foreign countries that it is hard to see how Europe can delay doing something to bring a realising. I am confident that the prosperous conditions which have been growing in the year now coming to a close will become more pronounced in the coming year. I see nothing to interfere with the course of the Nation's progress unless that interference is a legislative one."

NORTHERN PACIFIC DIVIDEND.

Apropos of the declaration of the 1 per cent. quarterly dividend upon Northern Pacific preferred, it has been stated in Wall Street that such a dividend was necessary to the continuation of the Northern Pacific voting trust, inasmuch as under the plan of reorganization "failure to pay dividends for two consecutive quarters" would lead to the dissolution of the trust. This statement, it appears, is in error, the provision in the plan only giving over to the preferred stockholders the right to elect a majority of the voting trust in case of failure to pay dividends for two consecutive quarters.

CUBAN TALK NOT CONSIDERED.

In reviewing the American stock market situation, Mr. Henry Labouchère, in London Truth, (just received here,) says:

"As regards Cuba, no one here expects any serious trouble, and President McKinley is in favor of a pacific solution, and of time being given to the new Spanish Ministry to turn round. Of course, there will be some hostile motions put forward in the Senate, and thus the favorable effect of the message will probably be counteracted temporarily. The other important point is that of currency reform, and if any really useful measure could be carried this would do more to re-establish confidence in matters American than anything else. The determined opposition of the silver party will, of course, have to be faced, and whether it will be possible to pass a useful measure through the present Senate is more than doubtful. That Mr. McKinley's Administration will make an effort to pass a currency bill of some kind may be assumed, as it is pledged to this course by promises made to the sound-money men at the time of the election."

BALTIMORE CONFIDENCE.

Messrs. Hambleton & Co. of Baltimore say in their review of the stock market:

"The situation has radically changed, and for the better, and from a state of rather gloomy foreboding we have emerged into a period of activity and improved values. Will it last? Why not? Does not the balance of trade continue to be immensely in favor of this country, and are we not piling up an increasing credit on the other side? Is it not a fact that our exports are growing daily larger and larger, and that every steamer which leaves our ports adds to the obligations of Europe to this country? Is it not true that if we desired and needed it we could command $100,000,000 in gold, and that our immense balances are left on the other side only on sufferance and because money is worth more in Europe than in this country?

"Again, is it not a fact that our railroads are doing a fine business and showing very largely increased earnings, and are not our farmers happy and prosperous with wheat at $1.10 per bushel, and with good crops of everything which grows? And are not our factories and furnaces running; and our laboring classes, are they not reasonably well employed?

"It seems to us that we are in pretty good condition and have considerable cause to be thankful even if we have Congress on our hands."

BANK STATEMENT.

The weekly statement of the New York City Associated Banks, issued Saturday, shows a decrease in the reserve of $3,235,525. The banks now hold $18,887,425 more than the legal requirement. The changes in the averages show an increase in loans of $9,981,800, a decrease in specie of $609,900, a decrease in legal tenders of $402,800, an increase in deposits of $8,891,300, and a decrease in circulation of $61,800.

The following is a comparison of the average of the New York banks for the last two weeks and for the corresponding date last year:

	Dec. 11'97.	Dec. 4 '97.	Dec. 12 '96.
Loans	$607,725,300	$597,744,000	$488,508,500
Specie	106,979,900	104,489,800	76,648,100
Legal tenders.	83,800,000	84,202,800	84,109,500
Net deposits..	576,979,900	568,278,600	516,935,200
Circulation	15,854,200	15,916,000	19,941,300

The following shows the amount of reserve held above the legal requirements:

	Dec. 11'97.	Dec. 4 '97.	Dec. 12 '96.
Specie	$106,979,900	$104,489,800	976,648,100
Legal tenders.	83,800,000	84,202,800	84,109,500
Total res've.	$187,670,900	$188,692,600	$160,757,600
Reserve required ag'st deposits ..	168,792,475	166,569,650	139,181,250
Excess of reserve above legal req'rements	$18,887,425	$22,123,950	$21,606,350

The following shows the reserve at this time for a series of years:

1897	$18,887,425	1892	$5,509,800
1896	21,606,350	1891	15,889,500
1895	13,331,825	1890	607,075
1894	2,582,225	1889	2,268,425
1893	76,565,425	1888	7,206,325

The following table shows the amount of surplus reserve held by the New York City banks from the beginning of the present year up to and including the statement issued Saturday, with the surplus at the corresponding dates in the years 1896 and 1895:

	1897.	1896.	1895.
Jan. 2.....	$33,288,950	$19,779,675	$35,962,050
Jan. 9.....	43,961,450	27,188,100	41,792,200
Jan. 16.....	52,172,525	32,845,550	45,465,075
Jan. 23.....	57,041,800	37,873,500	45,880,450
Jan. 30.....	59,276,600	39,683,400	38,761,500
Feb. 6.....	54,540,050	40,122,425	33,113,450
Feb. 13.....	51,688,225	36,878,875	33,518,425
Feb. 20.....	55,663,950	28,627,050	29,822,725
Feb. 27.....	57,520,975	24,425,150	28,054,500
March 6.....	55,556,925	23,234,500	22,788,625
March 13.....	52,663,550	21,448,825	17,598,775
March 20.....	48,124,675	19,687,675	14,146,500
March 27.....	43,895,750	18,147,425	13,113,450
April 3.....	47,666,575	17,005,975	13,929,925
April 10.....	46,170,050	17,981,250	14,922,775
April 17.....	46,966,900	18,139,350	19,064,975
April 24.....	49,257,900	20,678,675	25,270,675
May 1.....	48,917,825	22,944,275	27,283,575
May 8.....	44,036,575	26,128,225	31,070,100
May 15.....	44,490,600	18,517,975	37,587,900
May 22.....	45,998,950	21,701,500	39,975,150
May 29.....	46,616,100	22,230,675	41,221,250
June 5.....	45,820,825	18,496,300	39,667,906
June 12.....	47,601,475	20,677,050	37,958,900
June 19.....	48,390,900	19,918,250	36,544,250
June 26.....	49,280,150	21,917,825	34,225,925
July 3.....	41,284,375	20,228,250	37,587,900
July 10.....	41,361,375	22,237,275	38,405,800
July 17.....	46,088,900	21,778,025	38,491,125
July 24.....	47,361,575	18,502,050	40,199,175
July 31.....	45,720,150	17,728,900	41,167,178
Aug. 7.....	41,002,125	13,815,575	38,940,775
Aug. 14.....	38,852,725	9,400,175	41,260,375
Aug. 21.....	39,758,450	9,270,150	37,586,675
Aug. 28.....	39,517,700	8,836,200	39,124,925
Sept. 4.....	34,114,150	8,248,550	34,846,775
Sept. 11.....	26,688,825	8,767,825	26,685,250
Sept. 18.....	19,895,175	10,454,375	22,443,500
Sept. 25.....	15,997,500	14,216,025	22,296,175
Oct. 2.....	15,550,300	16,532,025	16,471,525
Oct. 9.....	13,436,500	15,493,200	14,176,900
Oct. 16.....	14,614,500	11,911,100	15,380,175
Oct. 23.....	22,904,700	14,980,900	16,689,700
Oct. 30.....	24,271,900	7,463,225	17,594,400
Nov. 6.....	21,181,225	14,810,400	19,280,150
Nov. 13.....	21,765,150	23,508,925	20,404,050
Nov. 20.....	23,406,250	29,305,575	19,994,950
Nov. 27.....	22,599,925	31,411,625	14,813,300
Dec. 4.....	22,122,950	32,464,400	20,294,275
Dec. 11.....	18,887,425	31,606,350	18,391,225

FINANCIAL.

Holders of Central Trust Company Certificates for
MEMPHIS & CHARLESTON
General Mortgage Bonds.

Notice is hereby given that, pursuant to the agreement of September 27, 1894, and Plan and Agreement of April 27, 1896, as proposed to be modified October 5, 1897, a meeting of the said Certificate Holders will be held at the office of Messrs. Simon Borg & Co., 20 Nassau Street, New York, on the 24th day of December, 1897, at 10 o'clock A. M., for the purpose of ratifying a settlement effected by the Committee in behalf of the certificate holders.
Dated New York, December 9, 1897.
General Mortgage Bondholders' Committee.
SIMON BORG, Chairman.
J. KENNEDY TOD, Vice Chairman.
LEOPOLD WALLACH, Counsel.

TEXAS PACIFIC COAL COMPANY
FIRST MORTGAGE 6% GOLD BONDS.

The CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY of NEW YORK, TRUSTEE, gives notice that in accordance with Section 24 of a certain indenture made by the above Coal Company, dated October 9th, 1888, it will receive offers to sell the above described bonds at a price not exceeding 110 and accrued interest, the total offer not to exceed twenty thousand eight hundred and thirty-one 73-100 dollars, ($20,831.73.) Bids will be opened at the office of the CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY of NEW YORK, 54 WALL STREET, at 12 o'clock noon, December 22d, 1897.
CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY OF NEW YORK.
By G. SHERMAN, Vice President.

FINANCIAL.

To the Stockholders of the
Central Pacific Railroad Company

On January 1st, 1896, the greater part of the United States Bonds issued to the said CENTRAL PACIFIC RAILROAD COMPANY will have matured, and it is deemed advisable that unity of action of all Stockholders should be secured, in order that their interests may be properly protected.

At the request of the holders of a large number of shares, and of the LONDON COMMITTEE, of which F. G. Banbury, M. P., is Chairman, and which has on deposit a very large amount of the stock, the undersigned have agreed to act as a Committee to represent the interests of the stockholders in this country, in conjunction with the London Committee, under an agreement contemplating the adoption of a plan of reorganization to be submitted to certificate holders. The plan of action contemplates:

1. An equitable settlement with the United States Government respecting the Government's lien on the aided portions of the road.
2. Avoiding, if possible, the expenses attendant upon a receivership.
3. A reorganization under which a new issue or new issues of Bonds may be made at the lowest possible rate of interest.

After a satisfactory settlement with the Government shall have been reached, the question of the relations of the Company to competing and connecting Companies will receive the Committee's careful attention.

In order that the Committee may be prepared to act at the proper time, without delay, holders of shares are urged to deposit them at once with the CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY, which will issue its Negotiable Receipts against the deposit of Share Certificates under the agreement, and in due time application will be made to have the receipts listed on the New York Stock Exchange.

Copies of the agreement may be obtained at the office of the CENTRAL TRUST COMPANY, 54 WALL ST., NEW YORK, or from any member of the Committee.
New York, December 10, 1897.
AUGUST BELMONT,
JOHN G. CARLISLE,
GEORGE COPPELL,
Committee.
ADRIAN H. JOLINE,
Counsel.

State of Massachusetts
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Blodget, Merritt & Co
16 CONGRESS ST
BOSTON.

Cincinnati, November 1st, 1897.

THE UNDERSIGNED SINKING FUND COMmissioners, under the C., St. L. & C. consolidated 6 per cent. mortgage, hereby certify that we have this day made a drawing of bonds to be applied to Sinking Fund account of November 1, 1897, in accordance with provisions of mortgage, and that bonds bearing numbers as follows, viz.: 337, 471, 177, 221, 650, 207, 375, have been drawn for such purpose and that interest on said bonds shall cease from and after the first day of May, 1898, and the bonds taken up at 105 per cent. and accrued interest to said date.
HERVEY BATES,
GEORGE T. BLISS,
M. E. INGALLS,
Sinking Fund Commissioners.

DIVIDENDS.

OFFICE OF
Northern Pacific Railway Company
MILLS BUILDING.
NEW YORK, December 10th, 1897.

At a meeting of the Board of Directors held this day the following resolutions were adopted:

Whereas, The net earnings of this Company are now on a basis which, after providing for fixed charges and a reasonable cash surplus for contingencies, justify the belief that the Company may, with safety, begin the distribution of dividends on its preferred stock;

And Whereas, The preferred stock certificates of this Company contemplate that any dividends thereon shall be declared and paid quarterly;

Therefore, Be it resolved, that there be, and there hereby is, declared from the net earnings a dividend of 1 % on the preferred stock of this Company for the quarter ending December 31st, 1897, same to be paid January 15, 1898, to the holders of record of the preferred stock at the closing of the transfer books on December 21, 1897.

Resolved, That for the purpose of such dividend the transfer books of this Company be closed at 3 P. M. on December 21, 1897, and reopened at 10 A. M. on January 4, 1898.
GEORGE H. EARL, Secretary.

23 WALL STREET,
NEW YORK, December 10, 1897.

The above dividend of 1 % will be payable on January 15, 1898, to holders of record at the close of business on December 21, 1897, on the books of the Voting Trustees for certificates of preferred stock of the Northern Pacific Railway Company.

The transfer books of the Voting Trustees for certificates for preferred stock will close in New York and in Berlin at 3 P. M. on December 21, 1897, and will reopen at 10 A. M. on January 4, 1898.
J. P. MORGAN & CO., New York,
DEUTSCHE BANK IN BERLIN,
Agents for Voting Trustees.

Western Union Telegraph Company.
New York, Dec. 8th, 1897.
DIVIDEND NO. 117.

The Board of Directors have declared a quarterly dividend of ONE AND ONE-QUARTER PER CENT. upon the capital stock of this company, payable at the office of the Treasurer on and after the 15th day of January next, to shareholders of record at the close of the transfer books on the 20th day of December inst.

The transfer books will be closed at 3 o'clock on the afternoon of December 20th inst. and reopened on the morning of January 3d next.
M. T. WILBUR,
Assistant Treasurer.

New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company.

Office of the Treasurer, New York, Dec. 8, 1897.

A dividend of FOUR PER CENT. on the capital stock of the NEW YORK AND HARLEM RAILROAD COMPANY will be paid by the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad Company, lessee, (under the provisions of the contract between the two companies,) at this office on the 3d day of January next. The transfer books will be closed at 3 o'clock P. M. on Wednesday, the 15th inst., and reopened at 10 o'clock A. M. January 4th next. E. V. W. ROSSITER, Treasurer.

Denver Consolidated Tramway Company.

The January coupons of the Denver Tramway Company six per cent. bonds and of the Metropolitan Railway Company six per cent. bonds will be paid January 1st, 1898, at the office of the MERCANTILE TRUST COMPANY, New York City.
DENVER CONSOLIDATED TRAMWAY COMPANY,
By RODNEY CURTIS, President.

The Denver & Rio Grande R. R. Co.
New York, December 9, 1897.

The Board of Directors has this day declared a semi-annual dividend of ONE PER CENT. on the Preferred Capital Stock of the company out of the net earnings, payable Jan. 15, 1898.

The transfer books of the preferred stock will close at 3 P. M. Jan. 12, 1898, and reopen on the morning of Jan. 18, 1898. GEORGE COPPELL,
Chairman of the Board.

The Fifth Avenue Bank of New York.
December 10th, 1897.

A regular dividend of 20 per cent. and an extra dividend of 5 per cent. (both free of tax) have been declared on the capital stock of this bank, payable January 3d, 1898.

Transfer books will be closed from noon of December 23d until January 3, 1898.
FRANK DEAN, Cashier.

The Denver Union Water Company.

The January coupons of the Denver Union Water Company will be paid at the Fourth National Bank, New York City, January 1, 1898.
THE DENVER UNION WATER COMPANY.
By W. S. CHEESMAN, President.

BUSINESS OPPORTUNITIES.

ON WEEKLY PAYMENTS—Fine DIAMONDS, Watches; no trash. Call or address Watch Supply Co., 3 Maiden Lane, Room 53. All goods guaranteed.

LEGAL SALES.

NOTICE OF SALE.

Notice is hereby given that pursuant to the decree of foreclosure and sale made and entered by the Circuit Court of the United States for the Southern District of New York on the 10th day of October, 1897, in certain causes in equity pending in said Court, wherein J. Pierpont Morgan and others constituting the firm of J. P. Morgan & Co. are complainants, and the Union Pacific Railway Company, A. H. Clark, Oliver W. Mink, E. Ellery Anderson, Frederic R. Coudert, and John W. Doane, Receivers, are defendants;

The undersigned, J. P. Morgan & Co., as successor Trustees under a certain trust deed dated September 4, 1891, executed by said Union Pacific Railway Company to the firm of Dillon, Morgan & Co., as Trustees, together with W. H. Cornish, as Special Master appointed by said Court in said cause, jointly will sell at public auction, by Adrian H. Muller & Son, Auctioneers, to the highest bidder or bidders on the terms hereinafter mentioned, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, N. Y., on

WEDNESDAY, THE TWELFTH DAY OF JANUARY, 1898,

at twelve o'clock noon, the following described bonds, stocks, and other securities and property:

STOCKS.

Name of Company.	Par Value.
Atchison, Colorado & Pacific Railroad Co.	$920,800.00
Atchison, Jewell County & Western Railroad Co.	105,000.00
Bozeman Coal Co.	94,000.00
Central Branch Union Pacific Railroad Co.	$74,900.00
Colorado Western Railroad Co.	9,100.00
Denver, Leadville & Gunnison Railway Co.	5,000,000.00
Gray's Peak, Snake River & Leadville Railroad Co.	5,000.00
Green River Water Works Co.	$25,000.00
Hutchinson & Southern Railroad Co. (held subject to contract of sale made by J. P. Morgan & Co., Trustees)	6,424,900.00
Kansas City & Omaha Railroad Co.	1,735,575.00
Laramie, North Park & Pacific Railroad and Telegraph Co.	68,500.00
Lawrence & Emporia Railway Co.	465,000.00
Loveland Pass Mining & Railroad Co.	4,800.00
Montana Railway Co., ($600,000, 20% paid)	420,000.00
Montana Union Railway Co.	1,250,000.00
Morrison Stone, Lime & Town Co.	100,000.00
Occidental & Oriental Steamship Company, ($5,000,000, 8% paid)	120,000.00
Omaha & Elkhorn Valley Railway Co.	40,800.00
Omaha & Republican Valley Railway Co.	2,297,522.77
Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co., (Common)	6,800.00
Oregon Railroad & Navigation Co., (Preferred)	$78.00
Rattlesnake Creek Water Co.	66,300.00
Salt Lake Foundry & Manufacturing Co.	67.00
Salina & Southwestern Railway Co.	221,700.00
South Park & Leadville Short Line Railroad Co.	1,000,000.00
Union Depot Co., Kansas City	45,000.00
Union Elevator Co., Council Bluffs	46,700.00
Union Stock Yards, Omaha	1,400.00
Union Pacific Coal Co.	4,487,900.00
Union Pacific Coal Co., (held as Collateral)	562,100.00
Union Pacific, Lincoln & Colorado Railway Co.	1,997,800.00
Union Pacific Railway Co., (Reorganization Certificates)	177,450.00
Union Pacific & Western Colorado Railway Co.	400,500.00
Western National Fair Association	7,950.00
Wood River Improvement Co., ($23,200, 80% Paid)	258,560.00

BONDS.

Name of Company.	Par Value.
Atchison, Union Depot & Railroad Co. Second Mortgage 5% Bonds	$4,500.00
Colorado Central Railroad Co. First Mortgage 7% Bonds	1,487,000.00
Denver, Leadville & Gunnison Railway Co. First Mortgage 4½% Bonds, (to be included in plan of reorganization)	54,000.00
Green River Water Works Co. First Mortgage 6% Bonds	214,000.00
Hutchinson & Southern Railroad Co. First Mortgage 5% Bonds, (held subject to contract of sale made by J. P. Morgan & Co., Trustees)	1,025,000.00
City of Junction City, Davis County, Kansas, 6% Bonds	5,000.00
Kansas City & Omaha Railroad Co. First Mortgage 5% Bonds Reorganization Certificate of Deposit, (held under an agreement made by J. P. Morgan & Co. to sell upon exercise of an option)	1,595,500.00
Kansas Pacific Railway Co. 7% Income Bonds, (Reorganization Certificates)	1,250.00
Loveland Pass Mining & Railroad Co. First Mortgage 7% Bonds	400,000.00
Ogden Union Railway & Depot Co. First Mortgage 5% Bonds	163,000.00
Omaha & Republican Valley Railroad Co. First Mortgage 7% Bonds	121,000.00
Omaha & Republican Valley Railway Co. Consolidated Mortgage 5% Bonds	526,000.00
Omaha & Republican Valley Railway Co. Extension First Mortgage 5% Bonds	1,246,000.00
Oregon Short Line Railroad Company 5% Income Bonds, Series A	451,500.00
Rattlesnake Creek Water Co. First Mortgage 6% Bonds	132,000.00
Union Depot Co., of Spokane Falls, First Mortgage 5% Bonds	334,000.00
Union Pacific Coal Co. First Mortgage 6% Bonds	4,890,000.00
Union Pacific Railway Co. Equipment Trust, Series C, 5% Bonds	225,000.00
Union Pacific Railway Co., Kansas Division and Collateral Mortgage 5% Bonds, (Reorganization Certificates)	5,000,000.00
Union Pacific Railway Co. Omaha Bridge Renewal 5% Bonds, (Reorganization Receipt)	145,000.00

Miscellaneous Securities and Claims.

Name of Company.	Par Value.
Echo &

NATIONAL UNIVERSITY

Providing for Its Establishment in Washington to be Presented in Congress To-day.

LONG TALKED-OF PROJECT

Formerly Advocated by Washington and Other Presidents—Strong Organization Now Behind It—An Institution of the Highest Order Proposed.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The bill to establish the University of the United States will be introduced again in both houses of Congress to-morrow. The bill in general terms provides for an institution of the highest possible type for the graduates of accredited colleges and universities only, with special reference to the work of original research and investigation in all important fields of inquiry.

The government is vested in a Board of Regents and a University Council. The Board of Regents embraces the President of the United States, the Chief Justice of the United States, the Commissioner of Education, the Secretary of the Smithsonian Institution, the President of the National Academy of Science, the President of the National Educational Association, the President of the university, and nine other citizens to be appointed by the President, by and with advice and consent of the Senate, no two of them to be from the same State.

The University Council is to have immediate charge of the work of instruction, research, and investigation. It consists of the Regents and twelve other members, to be appointed by them from among eminent educators with impartial distribution. All courses and officers of instruction are to be determined by the Council, and also all regulations governing the internal management of the institution.

Neither sectarian nor political preferences in any form are to be allowed in the appointments and operations of the institution. Authority is given to establish with other institutions of learning, such cooperative relations as are deemed advantageous.

Provision is made for the use of what is known as "University Square," the site set apart by Washington for university purposes and lately occupied by the Naval Observatory.

Congress now is asked for only enough means to enable the Board of Regents to organize and practically start the institution. Gifts and bequests are to be deposited in the United States Treasury in trust and invested in bonds of the United States bearing five per cent. interest. The present bill is the outgrowth of more than a hundred years of agitation. The thought of a National university first came to Washington while commanding the Revolutionary Army. Subsequently, as President, he repeatedly urged its establishment, and in his last will and testament left $25,000 in stocks as a first endowment, the interest to be compounded. Had Congress fostered the plan this sum now would be nearly $5,000,000.

The idea thus cherished by the Father of His Country, was indorsed by Presidents John Adams, Jefferson, Madison, Monroe, John Quincy Adams, and Jackson, and in more recent years by Presidents Grant and Hayes.

The more modern movement in this cause was begun in 1869 by the National Education Association, after an appeal from Dr. John W. Hoyt of Wisconsin, at the close of an educational tours of inspection in all the countries of Europe and in the American States by authority of the Government.

The association thrice unanimously indorsed the university proposition, and through its committee a bill was introduced and reported unanimously in the House of Representatives in 1873. The measure continued to receive the indorsement of leading scholars and statesmen from time to time, and in 1890 a University bill was introduced in the Senate by Mr. Edmunds of Vermont, and upon his motion was referred to a select committee, with Senator Proctor as Chairman.

The present general movement was begun at the Pan-Republic Congress of 1891 by the appointment of a Committee of Promotion, subject to enlargement at the discretion of its Chairman, ex-Gov. John W. Hoyt. The committee, by steady growth, became in time what is known as the National University Committee of One Hundred. The committee is now grown to several hundreds and embraces the Presidents of all the State Universities and some of the other leading institutions, the Superintendents of Public Instruction of all the States except one, and many distinguished statesmen, scholars, scientists, and men of affairs.

In 1895 the National Committee of One Hundred formed an Executive Council to act in its behalf both in the framing of a bill and in its systematic promoting its passage. This Council, after several meetings, Chief Justice Fuller presiding, prepared the bill that will be introduced to-morrow.

With the approval of the National University Committee, patriotic women of the country, under the lead of Mrs. Ellen M. Richardson of Boston, assuming the early establishment of the institution, have organized the George Washington Memorial Committee for auxiliary, though independent work, their purpose being to raise by popular subscription $250,000 for the erection on University Square of the first university building. The ladies engaged in this work are of such character and influence as to give great hope of the success of their undertaking.

Distinguished friends of art are planning for National art galleries to be established as a part of the university.

It is intended that this bill to be introduced to-morrow shall be pressed to early passage, and it is hoped that July 9, 1898, the one-hundredth anniversary of Washington's request, shall witness at least the practical beginning of what it is purposed shall become the leading university of the world.

Lenox S. Lake Has Disappeared.

Lenox S. Lake, sixty years old, of 140 Ferry Street, has been missing from his home since Friday. Mr. Lake is a well known merchant in Gansevoort Market, and a resident for twenty-five years of old Greenwich Village. He left home to visit two of his customers in Sixth Avenue, about 6 P. M. He is five feet eleven inches in height, chin whiskers and mustache, and was dressed in a dark suit and blue overcoat. He wore a gold watch and chain, the watch being marked with his initials, a Masonic charm, and a ring with a Masonic emblem engraved upon it. His business is in good order, and his friends are at a loss to account for his absence. He had about ten dollars when he disappeared.

Two More Nansen Lectures.

Dr. Fridtjof Nansen, the arctic explorer, will again appear in this city Friday evening and Saturday afternoon. He will lecture at Carnegie Hall.

SURROGATE NOTICES.

FONS, JEAN FERNAND AUGUSTE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JEAN FERNAND AUGUSTE FONS, otherwise known as F. FONS, late of the City of Paris, France, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 49 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 10th day of May next.—Dated New York, the 23d day of October, 1897. PAUL FULLER, Ancillary Administrator, with the will annexed. DANIEL HOLDEN, Attorney for Ancillary Administrator c. t. a., 100 Broadway, New York City. o23-law6mM

ROBINSON, MARY.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against MARY ROBINSON, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of John Mason Knox, Nos. 80 and 82 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of December next.—Dated New York, the 9th day of June, 1897. MARY ANN ROBINSON, Executrix. JOHN MASON KNOX, Attorney for Executrix, 80 and 82 William St., N. Y. jy14-law6mM

AGNER, ISABELLE BLANCHE.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against ISABELLE BLANCHE SINGER, late of Paris, France, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at the place of transacting business at the office of Herbert Brothers, in the City of New York, on or before the 13th day of July next.—Dated New York, the 13th day of December, 1897. HENRY CACHARD, Executor.

HERBERT BROTHERS, Attorneys for Executor, 27 Broadway, New York City. d13-law6mM

IN THE REAL ESTATE FIELD

The following sales at auction are down for to-day at 111 Broadway:

By William M. Ryan, foreclosure sale, Thomas Gilleran, referee. Lots 10, 11, and 12 on the map of the property of Joseph S. Wood at William's Bridge, being on the west side of Prospect Terrace, between Twelfth and Thirteenth Streets, each 25 by 100. Due on judgment, on each $350.

By James L. Wells, foreclosure sale, Frank Schaeffer, referee. 247 East One Hundred and Forty-fifth Street, south side, 100 feet west of St. Ann's Avenue, 25 by 100, two-story frame dwelling. Due on judgment, $1,362.

By William Kennelly, foreclosure sale, George H. Hart, referee. Fourth Avenue, (Twenty-fourth Ward,) north side, part of Lot 648, on the map of the village of Wakefield, 25 by 114. Due on judgment, $1,942.

By William Kennelly, foreclosure sale, Grosvenor S. Hubbard, referee. 421 West One Hundred and Forty-eighth Street, north side, 88 feet east of Convent Avenue, 17 by 99.11, three-story brick dwelling. Due on judgment, $14,810.

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LOVE, GEORGE R.—The people of the State of New York to all persons interested in the estate of GEORGE R. LOVE, as surviving partner of the co-partnership firm of John Swan & Co. send greeting:

You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear in a Special Term of the Supreme Court, held at Part I. thereof, in the County Court House, in the City of New York, on the 18th day of January, 1898, at 10:30 o'clock, A. M., there and then to show cause why a final settlement of the accounts of John T. Sackett, as assignee of above named GEORGE R. LOVE, as surviving partner of the copartnership firm of John Swan & Co., insolvent debtor, should not be had, and if no cause be shown, then to attend the final settlement of the assignee's accounts.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto caused the seal of the said Supreme Court to be hereto affixed. Witness, Hon. Roger A. Pryor, Justice of the said Supreme Court, at the County Court House, New York City, this fourth day of December, 1897. HENRY D. PURROY, Clerk.

[Seal.] FRANK G. WILD, Att'y for Assignee, 15-17 Beekman St., New York. d6-law6wM

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF NEW York.—To all persons interested in the estate of William I. Edwards and John Mackay, doing business under the firm name and style of Edwards & Mackay, assigned to Forrest MacNee for the benefit of creditors, greeting:

You and all of you are hereby cited and required to be and appear at a Special Term of the Supreme Court, at Part I. thereof, held in the County Court House in the City of New York, on the 10th day of January, 1898, at 10:30 A. M., then and there to show cause why a final settlement of accounts of Forrest MacNee, assignee of the above-named William I. Edwards and John Mackay, co-partners as aforesaid, should not be had, and if no cause be shown, then to attend the final settlement of the assignee's accounts.

In testimony whereof I have caused the seal of the Supreme Court to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. Abm. R. Lawrence, one of the Justices of said Court, this 12th day of November, 1897.

[Seal.] HENRY D. PURROY, Clerk.

THOMSON & PATTERSON, Attorneys for Assignee, 44 Pine Street, N. Y. City. o15-law6mM

SURROGATE NOTICES.

RAINFORTH, RICHARD.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John E. Y. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against RICHARD RAINFORTH, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, No. 280 Broadway, in the City of New York, on or before the 26th day of May, 1898, next.—Dated New York, the 18th day of November, 1897. ALBERT ANNS, ROBERT C. LITTLE, Executors. WAHLE & STONE, Attorneys for Executors, 280 Broadway, New York City. n22-law13tuthsyrs

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You and each of you are hereby cited and required personally to be and appear before our Surrogate of the County of New York, at the Surrogate's Court of said City and County, held at the County Court House in the City of New York on the 26th day of January, 1898, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, then and there to attend to the judicial settlement of the account of proceedings of Mary Helen Kridel, as administratrix of the goods, chattels, and credits of said deceased, and such of you as are hereby cited as are under the age of twenty-one years are required to appear by your guardian, if you have one, or if you have none, to appear and apply for one to be appointed, or in the event of your neglect or failure to do so a guardian will be appointed by the Surrogate to represent and act for you in the proceeding.

In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the City and County of New York to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of our said City and County, at the City of New York, the sixth day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, [L. S.] Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

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DICKINSON, BENJAMIN.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John E. Y. Arnold, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against BENJAMIN DICKINSON, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of George W. Gallinger, her attorney, No. 7 Beekman Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 11th day of May next.—Dated New York, the 11th day of October, 1897. SARAH DICKINSON, Administratrix. GEORGE W. GALINGER, Att'y for Administratrix, No. 7 Beekman St., N. Y. City. o11-law6mM

KAISER, JOHANNA.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. John H. V. Arnold, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against JOHANNA KAISER, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscribers, at their place of transacting business, at the office of John E. Brodsky, Nos. 49 and 51 Chambers Street, in the City of New York, on or before the first day of June next.—Dated New York, the 18th day of November, 1897. THEODORE SATTLER, GILBERT F. REDDER, Executors. JOHN E. BRODSKY, Atty. for Executors, 49 and 51 Chambers Street, New York City. n22-law6mM

LAWRENCE, CORNELIA A.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, a Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against CORNELIA A. LAWRENCE, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at his place of transacting business, No. 238 West Eleventh Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of January, 1898, next.—Dated New York, the 20th day of July, 1897. JOHN P. FAURE, Executor. JAMES E. CHANDLER, Attorney for Executor, 115 Broadway, N. Y. jy12-law6mM

MONTGOMERY, WALTER.—In pursuance of an order of Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of the City and County of New York, notice is hereby given to all persons having claims against WALTER MONTGOMERY, late of the City of New York, deceased, to present the same, with vouchers thereof, to the subscriber, at her place of transacting business, at the office of John Mason Knox, Nos. 80 and 82 William Street, in the City of New York, on or before the 20th day of December next.—Dated New York, the 20th day of June, 1897. MARY ANN ROBINSON, Administratrix, with the will annexed. JOHN MASON KNOX, Attorney for Administratrix, 80 and 82 William St. jy14-law6mM

PECK, HEHETTABLE.—The People of the State of New York, by the grace of God free and independent, to Alice Mix Spencer, Ann Louisa Johnston, Mary Lawton, Eugene Mix, Jane Augusta McFarlan, Mary Ann Peck, Martha Frances Mix Smith, and George Mix, send greeting:

Whereas, Martha A. Hart of the City of New York has lately applied to the Surrogate's Court of our City and County of New York to have a certain instrument in writing bearing date the twelfth day of December, 1881, relating to both real and personal property, duly proved as the last will and testament of HEHETTABLE PECK, otherwise known as M. HETTA PECK, late of the City and County of New York, deceased, therefore you, and each of you, are cited to appear before the Surrogate of our City and County of New York, at his office in the City of New York, on the 31st day of January, one thousand eight hundred and ninety-eight, at half-past ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day, then and there to attend the probate of the said last will and testament.

And each of you as are hereby cited as are under the age of twenty-one years are required to appear by your guardian, if you have one, or if you have none, to appear and apply for one to be appointed, or in the event of your neglect or failure to do so a guardian will be appointed by the Surrogate to represent and act for you in the proceeding.

In testimony whereof we have caused the seal of the Surrogate's Court of the said City and County of New York to be hereunto affixed. Witness, Hon. Frank T. Fitzgerald, Surrogate of our said City and County, at the City of New York, the 6th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-seven. J. FAIRFAX McLAUGHLIN, [L. S.] Clerk of the Surrogate's Court.

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SUPREME COURT, STATE OF NEW YORK.—City and County of New York.—THE BOWERY SAVINGS BANK, plaintiff, against HARRIE G. NEWTON, and others, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale made and entered in the above-entitled action, bearing date the 9th day of November, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, Number 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on the 23d day of December, 1897, at twelve o'clock, noon, by Wm. Kennelly, Auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All those six certain lots, pieces, or parcels of land, with the buildings thereon, situate in the City of New York, which, taken together, are bounded and described as follows, to wit: Beginning at a point on the northerly side of Twenty-second Street, distant one hundred and ninety-nine (199) feet four (4) inches easterly from the northeasterly corner of Second Avenue and Twenty-second Street, and running thence northerly, parallel with Second Avenue, ninety-eight (98) feet nine (9) inches to the centre line of the block between Twenty-second and Twenty-third Streets; thence easterly, along said centre line, one hundred and fifty (150) feet eight (8) inches; thence southerly, parallel with Second Avenue, ninety-eight (98) feet nine (9) inches to the northerly side of Twenty-second Street, and thence westerly along the northerly side of Twenty-second Street, one hundred and fifty (150) feet eight (8) inches to the point or place of beginning; be the said several distances and dimensions more or less, being the same premises conveyed to said Julius J. Lyons by Victoria Berman by deed, bearing date the eighteenth day of June, 1888, and recorded on the same day in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York in Liber 2,138 of Conveyances at Page 490, and two undivided thirds of which was conveyed by said Julius J. Lyons and Constance R., his wife, to said Joshua S. Pine, by deed, bearing date the sixteenth day of July, 1888, and recorded in said Register's Office in Liber 2,155 of Conveyances, at Page 126, on July 18th, 1888, subject, however, as to part of said premises, to a covenant against nuisances, contained in two certain deeds, one made by Sarah Heyward to William Hogan, dated October 27, 1846, and recorded in the office of the Register of the City and County of New York, in Liber 484, Conveyances, Page 126, the other made by said Sarah Heyward to Philip Kearney, Jr., dated October 27, 1846, and recorded in said Register's Office, in Liber 483, Conveyances, Page 82, as far as said covenant may now be applicable; the entire wall of the building standing on said premises being subject to the right of support of the beams of the adjoining building on the westerly side thereof; together with all and singular the tenements and hereditaments and appurtenances thereunto belonging or in any wise appertaining.

That the land affected by said mortgage lies in Section 3, in Block 928 on the Land Map of the City of New York.

Dated New York, November 26th, 1897.

SAMUEL B. PAUL, Referee.

WALTER TRIMBLE, Esq., Attorney for Plaintiff, No. 34 Pine Street, New York City. n29-2aw2wM&Th&S22

427 CHERRY STREET.—NEW YORK SUPREME Court, City and County of New York.—MOSES STARR, WILLIAM P. STARR, MEMBERS, and JONATHAN J. BROOME, as executors of the last will and testament of Egbert Starr, deceased, plaintiffs, against Benedict A. Klein and others, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, duly made and entered in the above entitled action, bearing date the fourth day of November, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, Number 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, by Solomon De Walltearer, auctioneer, on the 30th day of November, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon on that day, the mortgaged premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows, namely: All that certain lot, piece, or parcel of land, with the buildings thereon erected, situate, lying, and being in the Seventh Ward of the City of New York, and distinguished on a map of certain lots, which said ward belonging to Edward W. Laight, Henry Laight, and others, made by John T. Ludlam, City Surveyor, dated May 27th, 1831, and intended to be filed in the office of the Register of the County and City of New York, marked and designated thereon by the name of "Ed. W. Laight," and bounded and described as follows: Beginning at a point on the southerly side of Cherry Street distant about one hundred feet and four inches westerly from the southwest corner of Cherry and Jackson (formerly Walnut) Streets, running thence southerly on a line parallel with Jackson Street and part of the way through a party wall about ninety-two feet and six inches to a line drawn parallel with Water Street, at a distance of one hundred feet therefrom and to a point in said line distant one hundred feet westerly from Jackson Street; running thence westerly along said line twenty-five feet, thence northerly about ninety feet and seven inches to the southerly side of Cherry Street, thence easterly along the southerly side of Cherry Street twenty-five feet and one inch to the point or place of beginning, be the same more or less. Said premises being known as street No. 427 Cherry Street.—Dated New York, November 6th, 1897.

PORTE V. RANSOM, Referee.

WILLIAM P. CHAMBERS, Plaintiffs' Attorney, No. 59 Liberty Street, New York City.

The sale of the above-mentioned premises is hereby adjourned to Tuesday, December 21st, 1897, at the same hour and place.—Dated New York, November 30th, 1897.

PORTE V. RANSOM, Referee.

WILLIAM P. CHAMBERS, Plaintiffs' Attorney, No. 59 Liberty Street, New York City.

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ONE HUNDRED AND FOURTH STREET.—Supreme Court, County of New York.—THE SAVINGS BANK OF UTICA, plaintiff, against CAROLINE W. L. WEINSTOCK et al., defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale, duly made and entered in the above-entitled action, and bearing date the 21st day of August, 1897, I, the undersigned, the referee in said judgment named, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City and County of New York, on the seventeenth day of November, 1897, at 12 o'clock noon, by Richard V. Harnett, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All those four lots, with the buildings thereon, lying and being in the City of New York, and described as follows:

Beginning at a point on the south side of One Hundred and Fourth Street, distant one hundred and thirteen feet eastwardly from the southeast corner of One Hundred and Fourth Street and First Avenue; thence running southerly, and parallel with First Avenue, one hundred feet eleven inches to the middle of the block; thence easterly, at right angles, one hundred feet; thence northerly, at right angles, one hundred feet eleven inches to One Hundred and Fourth Street; thence westerly, along the same, one hundred feet to the place of beginning; together with the appurtenances; being the same premises conveyed to the defendant Caroline W. L. Weinstock by Charles de la Vergne, by deed dated the 10th day of May, 1893.—Dated New York, October 22d, 1897. LEWIS L. DELAFIELD, Referee.

MILLER, FINCKE & BRANDEGEE, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 30 Genesee Street, Utica, N. Y.

The sale of the above-described premises is hereby adjourned to December 15th, 1897, at same time and place.—Dated New York, November 24th, 1897. LEWIS L. DELAFIELD, Referee.

MILLER, FINCKE & BRANDEGEE, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 30 Genesee Street, Utica, N. Y.

The sale of the above-described premises is hereby adjourned to December 15th, 1897, at same time and place.—Dated New York, December 1st, 1897. LEWIS L. DELAFIELD, Referee.

MILLER, FINCKE & BRANDEGEE, Plaintiff's Attorneys, 30 Genesee Street, Utica, N. Y.

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FIFTH AVENUE.—New York Supreme Court, City and County of New York.—ELIZA PARSONS, plaintiff, against GEORGE B. PARSONS and ELIZABETH W. PARSONS, his wife, defendants.

In pursuance of a judgment of foreclosure and sale in the above entitled action, bearing date the 30th day of November, 1897, and entered in the office of the Clerk of the City and County of New York on the 3d day of December, 1897, I, the undersigned referee, will sell at public auction, at the New York Real Estate Salesroom, No. 111 Broadway, in the City of New York, on Thursday, the twenty-third day of December, 1897, at twelve o'clock noon, by William Kennelly, auctioneer, the premises in said judgment mentioned and therein described as follows:

All George B. Parsons' and Elizabeth W. Parsons', his wife, right, title, interest, claim, and demand whatsoever at law or in equity, whether on 28 April, 1895, vested in possession or in the remainder or which may have or might hereafter become vested in the said George B. Parsons, by virtue of any contingency whatsoever, of, in, and to all those premises as follows: All that certain lot of land situated in the City of New York, and bounded and containing as follows: Beginning at a point on the easterly side of the Fifth Avenue, distant twenty-seven feet five inches north of the northerly side of Forty-second Street, running thence northerly along the easterly side of the Fifth Avenue thirty-seven feet; thence easterly and parallel with Forty-second Street one hundred and eight feet, thence southerly and parallel with the Fifth Avenue thirty-seven feet, and thence westerly and parallel with Forty-second Street one hundred and eight feet to the place of beginning.—Dated New York, December 1, 1897. THEODORE CONNOLT, Referee.

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FATHER DUCEY ON SOCIETY

He Denounces the So-Called Christian Social System of To-day as a Crime.

PLEADS FOR PEOPLE'S RIGHTS

Contrasts Modern "Churchianity" with True Christianity, and Calls It a Sin Against God and Man —Trusts and Plutocrats Scored.

The Rev. Father Thomas J. Ducey of St. Leo's Catholic Church, whose advanced ideas on political and economic subjects have caused him more or less trouble with his ecclesiastical superiors, preached a stirring sermon yesterday morning against the prevailing social order.

The subject of the discourse was announced in advance as the "Crimes of Society and the Crimes of Religion in the Days of John the Baptist, and the Crimes of Fraud in the Name of Christianity and Religious Society in the Nineteenth Century," and as it was the first utterance of the Reverend Father on social topics since his appearance in the late Henry George campaign, it attracted an unusually large congregation. Father Ducey had prepared his remarks carefully in advance, and read from typewritten manuscript, following his own text closely in order, as he afterward explained, that he might be prepared to show what he did say in case he should be taken to task by any ecclesiastical authority.

The Father did not mention the single tax doctrine or Henry George, but his sermon bristled with the protests against society as now constituted, pleas for the "rights of the people," and denunciations of the "plutocrats" that characterized the writings and speeches of the dead reformer.

The Doctrine of Infallibility.

Father Ducey began with a definition of the Catholic doctrine of infallibility. "Leo XIII., the Vicar of Christ," he said, "does not claim personal or individual infallibility. Personally and individually, his opinions have no more infallibility than the opinions of other men of equal intelligence and culture. Leo XIII. is infallible in his authority when guided by the Holy Ghost.

"I have heard it often asked, is so-called Christian society to-day criminal? I say unqualifiedly, Yes. For there is evidence that it constantly and persistently violates the laws of God and the rights of struggling humanity for the low product of gain, and sacrifices divine principle to low and vulgar human expediency. It is a crime before the bar of God's justice to remain silent in the presence of power wrongly exercised for the privileges of the few against the rights of the many."

Father Ducey eloquently pictured John the Baptist, who came as "the voice of one crying in the wilderness, 'Make clear the way of the Lord.'" John, the preacher declared, had a mission from God to humanity, and he felt that avarice, covetousness, and lust had corrupted the good society of his day.

"The good society of Jerusalem's bad example had become the chief corrupting influence of the whole people. It had lost all sense of purity and character. The Baptist saw its perfect illustration in the King's palace, where it had living pictures—of shame without a blush—on exhibition. He saw and knew that the royal society of Jerusalem had no respect for the sanctity of the family, and he knew that the pure relations of husband and wife existed not with the best members of good society in that city."

The preacher told the story of Herod and Salome, whose dance so pleased the King that he bade her ask what she might, even to the half of his kingdom. "The pleasure he enjoyed in that dance," he said, "was evidently of the gross suggestiveness of the senses, which the gilded youth of our day enjoy in the dance halls when they witness the dancing of women they degrade."

The mother of Rome made a great mistake, Father Ducey declared, when she bade her daughter ask for the head of John the Baptist. "That head, dished as a sacrifice to crime, is more alive to-day than ever it was in the valley of Jordan. The tongue of John the Baptist to-day, at the close of the nineteenth century, warns the Catholic priesthood throughout the world that they must be fearless and faithful in proclaiming the truths of Jesus Christ against frauds in the name of religion and frauds in the name of society, and call up the fact that on the 25th day of December, 1897, the pure and living voice of Jesus Christ will assert itself before the gold power of the world and all unjust power in the world, that the just power of God stands for the just rights of the people.

Duty of the Priesthood.

"To-day our Lord wishes the priests of His Church, in the name of true Christianity, to make the churchianity of the nineteenth century tremble and feel that it is not Christianity, but Pharisaism in its worst form. The priests of God's Church are to-day the voices crying in the wilderness of the nineteenth century against avarice, grasp, and lust. They must and will be true to the spirit of Christ and the direction of His vicar, Leo XIII., for the glory of God and the rights of the vast multitude, and persistently protest against the corrupting power of churchianity and the money kings."

Picturing the deplorable state into which the priesthood had fallen in the time of John the Baptist, Father Ducey said: "What a combination corrupt religion and corrupt society can make against the rights of the people! The corruption of society, it is said to me, is the fault of its leaders who beheaded John the Baptist and crucified Jesus Christ. The same elements are at work to-day to crucify every pure principle that seeks to assert itself in the name of God and for the rights of man. What inspiration could the pure soul of John the Baptist find in the society environment existing in his time in Jerusalem? and what inspiration can the pure-minded man find to-day in the so-called Christian society existing in contradiction to the laws of God?

"To-day, where luxury and the moneyed power rule, human hearts are crushed, humanity is almost driven to despair and hopelessness, and if a faint glimmer of hope comes into humanity's life in our day it comes through the Catholic Church, from the voice of Jesus Christ, which penetrates the gloom of present conditions. Were this not so, humanity would give up the fight for the attainment of victory, in favor of truth, justice, and the God-given rights of humanity, which have been stolen from mankind by a heartless society of greed and gain.

"Many and much of the abuses which existed in the time of John the Baptist exist in the world and would-be Christian society of our day—greed, morbid gain, heartless grasp, absolute want of sympathy for our humbler brethren. The people of the world of society to-day 'Sit down to eat and rise up to play.' They say, 'Let us eat and make merry, for to-morrow we die.' In the name of Christian civilization scenes of this nature are constantly enacted by professing Christian society at the close of this nineteenth century. Is this condition reproached from the pulpits? Is it condemned? No. We have too few John the Baptists in the wilderness of churchianity, and in that wilderness they would not dare cry out to the pagans to whom they preach, 'Make clear the way of the Lord.'

Society Criminally Heartless.

"The heart of worldly society is heartless to a point of criminality, and the crime of churchianity in our day is a more crying sin against Jesus Christ and His teachings than was Herod's crime against John the Baptist. Herod knew not and accepted not The Baptist; churchianity and its society of to-day pretend to follow Christ, to know Him, to believe in Him and His teachings, hence churchianity's criminality and society's hypocrisy and insincerity are, without doubt, heinous and criminal, meriting the curse of Heaven and the hatred of the vast multitude. We priests of the Catholic Church, by virtue of our mission as priests, must lift our voices against the evils of our day and enter protest against social wrongs. We must proclaim the rights of the people. We must proclaim that the present social order and conditions are a violation of God's revelation and of the law and teachings of Jesus Christ. The priests of God's army must protect the rights of the people in God's kingdom on earth and proclaim the Fatherhood of God and the brotherhood of man.

"There can be no peace of God in the souls of the avaricious, the covetous, the luxurious, the unnatural plutocrat, the trust king, the king of monopoly, the money king. They belong neither to the Kingdom of God on this earth, nor shall they enter into the Kingdom of God in the world to come, unless they do penance, make restitution for their injustices and seek peace with God and man. We priests of God's Church must proclaim the rights for the people that they have their rights. Christ has so empowered us, and the Vicar of Jesus Christ, Leo XIII., says it is our duty."

DR. SILVERMAN ON INGERSOLL.

In Temple Emanu-El He Asserts that the Ten Commandments Have Not Been Abolished.

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Silverman, in his lecture at Temple Emanu-El, Fifth Avenue and Forty-third Street, yesterday morning, called Robert Ingersoll to account for his lecture delivered in Chicago on Thanksgiving Day. Dr. Silverman's address was entitled, "Have the Ten Commandments been Abolished?" and was in part as follows:

"Col. Robert Ingersoll, in a lecture which he delivered on last Thanksgiving Day at Chicago, on the subject, 'Whom Shall We Thank?' said: 'If we thank God or nature for the sunshine and rain, for health and happiness, whom shall we curse for famine and pestilence, for earthquake and cyclone, for disease and death? If we cannot thank nature, whom shall we thank?' Standing here at the close of the nineteenth century, amid the trophies of thought, the triumphs of genius; here under the flag of the great Republic; knowing something of the history of man; here on this day set apart for thanksgiving, I most reverently thank the good men, the good women, of the past. I thank the kind fathers and loving mothers of the savage days. I thank the first true friend, the poets, the artists, the philosophers, the thinkers, the astronomers, the geologists, the anatomists, the chemists, the dramatists, the great novelists, the great sculptors, the great painters, the statesmen, the scientists.

"Shall such a statement go before the world unchallenged? Have we not a right to question its import, its truth, its object, its fairness? I quarrel with no man for not having religion in his soul. It is not his fault, but his misfortune. I do not censure him. I pity him. I pity him as I pity the man who has no music in his soul, or who has not been endowed with an aesthetic sense, and, therefore, cannot appreciate the beauties of nature, of art, of poetry.

"I do, however, most assuredly censure those who, because they themselves are not religiously inclined, conclude that religion is unnecessary, that it is detrimental to mankind, and is incompatible with wisdom, and a high state of civilization. I would censure those who, not having children, would seek to suppress them; who, not caring for music, would endeavor to abolish it; and, certainly, those who use all their efforts and every occasion to denounce the votaries of religion and ever deride the Godhead and enlarge the merits of man while belittling divinity.

"If we thank God for all the good we receive, does it follow that we must curse Him for all that we consider evil, or all that He does which displeases us, that conflicts with our momentary interest, or the causes or objects of which we do not understand?

"Granting now that many of the wise and good men have used their genius and talents for the benefit of mankind, is it not right, after duly appreciating their services, to ask whether they themselves are the means by which the world has been advanced? Is there not a higher and greater power than man? Is civilization dependent upon the arbitrary will of a few hundred or thousand individuals? If it had not been for these few superior beings, would the world still have been groping in darkness and groveling in the ignorance and superstition of the Middle Ages?

"Are these men independent creators that we owe them thanks? Men become good, not through an independent voluntary act, but through the moral law, which is authoritative and inexorable. We are not under lasting obligations to one or a thousand men for civilization. The Ten Commandments that form the essence of God's moral law have not been abolished by any human code."

THE FAULT-FINDING HABIT.

Hugh O. Pentecost on the Mistake of Seeing Nothing but Evil.

Hugh O. Pentecost preached to a large number of persons in Carnegie Music Hall yesterday morning on "The Fault-finding Habit." He said in part:

"On a centre table in my house there is a small bisque figure of a dancing girl whose head has been broken off and stuck on again with cement, and at the point of breakage there is a slight seam or crack. There are two ways of looking at this little figure. One is to admire the graceful, harmonious coloring and fine material; the other is to fix the attention upon the broken place. In the one case you receive pleasure from the little image, and if it has a soul, as some wise people say everything has, you impart pleasure to it. In the other case you spoil what pleasure you might have had, and, if she has a soul, you embarrass the little lady.

"We are just coming into the realization of what is called the Greater New York, and one political party has gotten itself elected to rule the town, and I hear people say, and I read it in the newspapers, that this party is corrupt and that we are going to have a bad government. One way to have a bad government is for half the population to keep thinking all the bad things they can about the party in power. If two million minds persist in finding fault with everything the Mayor and the rest of the city government do, a tremendous power for evil is thereby generated. It is no wonder that each political party is as bad as the other when we remember that thirty million Democrats are thinking and saying evil things of the Republicans, and thirty million Republicans are thinking and saying the same of the Democrats; and ten million mugwumps are cursing them both."

DR. VAN DYKE TO STUDENTS.

He Says People Bow Down to False Gods Six Days in the Week.

In the Brick Church, Fifth Avenue and Thirty-seventh Street, last night the pastor, the Rev. Henry van Dyke, D. D., addressed a gathering of students. He took for his text II. Kings, fifth chapter and eighteenth verse. He said among other things:

"If any of you came here to-night with your ears prepared to hear something about gambling and vice you will have to take your disappointment as best you can. That is all done in the newspapers called yellow journals, which are feeding filthy literature to their readers. The evils that prevail here are not hid; they walk the streets and I want to say that idolatry has not changed one bit in 2,400 years.

"For six days in the week the people are continually bowing to false gods, and it cannot be hoped that the seventh day can bring them much spiritual consolation."

Dr. van Dyke condemned the practice of theatre-going. He said the practice was "saturated with immorality." "To go with the crowd," he continued, "is to imperil the conscience and kill the finer faculties of the soul by asphyxiation. People who do this are living in pleasure and are dying while they live."

HIS FIRST BROOKLYN SERMON.

The Rev. L. M. Clarke, Dr. Hall's Successor, Assumes His Charge.

The Rev. Lorenzo Mason Clarke preached his first sermon yesterday as pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, in Henry Street, Brooklyn. He is the successor of the Rev. Dr. Charles Cuthbert Hall, now President of Union Theological Seminary. After speaking of the picture of Christ drawn in the Book of Revelation, Mr. Clarke said:

"It is not the ordinary Christ of art whom we see in the writing of John. It is no languid, weary, effeminate form such as has been sculptured and painted so many times. This person whom John sees is the Son of Man, and He is robed like a monarch, with the royal insignia upon Him. The revelation made in Jesus Christ our Lord is the sovereign power in all the wide domain of human life and character. The voice of Jesus answers more questions, supplies more motives, solves more difficulties, satisfies more needs, and furnishes more immutable hopes than any voice which has been heard through the ages."

Union Settlement's Service.

The first of a series of religious services held in connection with the Union Religious Settlement of 287 East One Hundred and Fourth Street took place yesterday afternoon in Stuyvesant Hall, One Hundred and Sixth Street and Third Avenue. The service was conducted by W. E. McCord, manager of the settlement. The music was furnished by Dr. Evans' of Bellevue Hospital, Mrs. Porter Paddock, and the Settlement Quartet. Dr. Francis Brown, professor of Hebrew at the Union Theological Seminary, read the Bible lesson, and the sermon was preached by Dr. Charles C. Hall, President of the seminary.

EVILS OF ANTI-SEMITISM

Prof. Felix Adler Defends the Jews Before the Society for Ethical Culture at Carnegie Hall.

PREJUDICE IS UNCHRISTIAN

The Outcome of an Immoral Attitude Toward Fellow-Beings—Man Must Be Judged Individually, Not by Class or Race.

"The Anti-Semitic Prejudice and Its Evil Consequences" was the subject of Prof. Felix Adler's address before the Society for Ethical Culture yesterday at Carnegie Music Hall. He first called attention to the remarkable preservation of Israel among the nations, which, he said, was due to certain traits in the character of the Jews and also to a certain trait in the character of their adversaries. As traits in the character of the Jews, he enumerated inflexibility of purpose, tenacity, and invincible power of passive resistance.

"Despite these qualities," he continued, "the Jews were hated with an intensity of hatred of which, in modern times, at least in civilized countries, we can hardly form any conception. And many a time the attempt was made to exterminate them from the face of the earth. Why, then, were they not exterminated? Their qualities of mental culture, moral clearness, and tenacity serve sufficiently to explain the enormous resilience which the Jews displayed, their power of quickly recuperating after every assault, of recovering strength the moment the hand of their adversary was stayed. But it does not explain why the hand of their adversary was stayed, why persecution did not do its perfect work. The most vital constitution cannot resist a deathblow. Why, then, was the deathblow not delivered? Why were their lives spared, seeing that they were so detested?

"To account for this, we must take into consideration an ally that acted all along in their defense, on the side of their adversaries. That ally was human nature. The only people, to my knowledge, that have ever acted out on a large scale and during a long period the doctrine of non-resistance, taught in the New Testament, are the Jews. And to a certain degree, their example proves that that doctrine is workable. 'If thine enemy smite thee on the right cheek, turn to him the other also.' I do not say that the Jews voluntarily practiced this maxim. But they had no choice in the matter. When they had been robbed and plundered, there was nothing for them to do but in motionless patience to await further robbery. If they had been able to resist they would long since have been annihilated. They had been a martial race of old, when they were settled in their own country, fighting for their national existence. But in the Middle Ages deeds of arms were no longer possible. The Jews were scattered over the face of the earth. They were groups of men, women, and children—a helpless minority—in the midst of Christian peoples.

Massacre Never Complete.

"It was not possible to fight against them. It was only possible to butcher them. And there were times when a certain mad frenzy, a certain rage, like that of wild beasts, took possession of vast numbers of Christians and led them to the horrible work of butchering a defenseless people. But the massacres always fell short of accomplishing the annihilation of the Jews. A remnant remained and renewed its strength in virtue of the qualities already mentioned. And, after the frenzy was over, human nature asserted itself, and their adversaries, that trait in human nature which leads men to recoil with infinite loathing from the slaughter of human beings in cold blood and to brand with the stigma of everlasting infamy the act of him who kills the unarmed."

Adverting then to anti-Semitism in modern times, the speaker referred to the recent outbreaks against the Jews in European countries, and continued:

"But the special subject to which I wish to address myself is the anti-Semitic prejudice in the United States. The well-recognized causes of anti-Semitism, as generally enumerated, are four—religious, national, economic, and social. The first three, if not entirely wanting, are of minor influence with us. There remains, then, the social cause of prejudice, and with this, so far as the United States is concerned, we have mainly to deal.

"Upon what, then, is social discrimination based? Is it that the Jews are socially an inferior race? Of course there is a seamy side to the character of the Jewish people, just as there is a seamy side to the character of the American people and of the English. Certain Germans—educated people, too—lately have introduced the term 'Americanism' in the sense of materialism—to Americanize means to reduce to the level of low money-getting materialism. I dare say there is one side of American civilization that gives color to such a view, but does any one suppose that a person who uses the word 'American' in this sense really understands the American character?

"There are good and evil qualities compounded together in the character of every people. To form a fair estimate, it will not do to look only at the evil side, but one must take into account the facts on both sides and then determine whether or not the good qualities on the whole prevail. What would we think of any person who should take the caricature of John Bull as it appears in the comic papers as a true representation of the English type of character? Do we see in that stolid face any hint of Shelley's or Tennyson's lineaments? Or of the face of Shakespeare, or Newton, or Sir Philip Sidney, or Nelson? Perhaps we do not expect to. We know that the John Bull type is nothing but a caricature, and we would think him guilty of absurd provincialism who should take this caricature for a picture. And so in the face of the beer-drinking German in the comic papers we find no trace of Kant, or Humboldt, or Goethe.

The Caricature of the Jew.

"A caricature is just a caricature, and nothing more, and so the caricature of the Jew as it exists in the minds of many persons is nothing more. Is it possible seriously to regard the Jew as a socially inferior race when one considers the spiritual vitality which the race exhibits—I speak not now of ancient times, but of our own time—when one remembers how many men of eminence it has given to the world in every walk of life, in every department of science and art; when one remembers the blossoms and flowers and fruits that have grown on this gnarled tree which is called the Jewish race, despite the fact that it is 3,000 years old? Surely grapes are not gathered from thistles and the modern poets and musicians and statesmen and artists of the Jewish race do reflect upon their race and lead us to infer the presence of qualities to which all this talent, all this exhibition of power, of force, of delicacy or tenderness, owes its origin.

"The greatest mistake that can be made is the excessive laudation on one side, which sees or will admit only the virtues and denies the faults; for, as has been said, light and darkness, good and evil, are compounded in the character of every people—or, on the other hand, in malice or ignorance, to lift into view only the faults and to minimize the virtues.

"Now, the evil of anti-Semitism is that it is the outcome of an immoral attitude toward fellow-beings. And the evil consequence of it is that it confirms those who entertain the prejudice in this immoral attitude, the attitude of judging an individual before they know him, in the expectation that he must possess the characteristics which, rightly or wrongly, they ascribe to the class in which he belongs. And this is not only an immoral attitude, but it is, in a peculiar, I may say in a poignant sense, an un-Christian attitude. Let the pagan be an anti-Semite, if you please. Let the Moslem be an anti-Semite, if you will. But how it is possible for a Christian to be an anti-Semite?

"For, setting aside the theology, and fastening the attention on the ethics of the New Testament, if there is anything that shines out in these ethics, if there is any one contribution that Jesus has made to the moral evolution of the race, is it not that He has clearly taught, by precept and by example, that men shall not be judged in heaps; that they shall not be estimated according to the class designation that is affixed to them; that every individual shall be judged on his own merits, from respect to something that is sacred and august in him, namely, his individuality, his personality?

"Jesus made, in His own life, the most impressive protests against wholesale judgments, and gave the most pointed illustrations of what He deemed the right manner of dealing with individuals who belong to a hated and distrusted portion of the community. What class could be more odious in Palestine than the disreputable publicans, or farmers of the taxes, who, Jews themselves, served as the minions of the foreign oppressor? And yet Matthew an apostle was an ex-publican.

Moral Teachings of Christianity.

"The whole system of Christianity, so far as its moral teachings are concerned, has for its cornerstone the segregation of the individual from the mass with which he may appear to be complicated, the placing him on his own feet, the estimating him for good or ill, according to his own deserts; the belief that, whatever the faults of the class to which he belongs may be or may appear to be, it is not assumed that he shares those faults, but rather that he is capable of transcending them. And so, any one who acts according to this principle is, to that extent, in line with Christian morality.

"And we may further say that, to overcome social anti-Semitism on the part of Christians, absolutely nothing is needed except the learning and the following of the simple, pristine Christian teaching. For all that is asked on behalf of the Jews is that, so far as social discrimination goes—and social discrimination there must be—they shall be treated as individuals, the socially fit received, the socially unfit excluded; neither in schools nor in hotels shall there be any interdict ruling them out as a class. Those who are responsible for such edicts are certainly not followers of Jesus, whatever they may be."

In conclusion, the speaker said: "The evil effect of anti-Semitism on those who nurture it is that it exercises upon them a demoralizing influence. By indulging in it they commit outrage upon their moral nature, and it is impossible that they can commit it with impunity. For he who nourishes a prejudice acts to his own spiritual prejudice, blunts the finer edge of moral sympathy, darkens his moral vision."

DR. ROBINSON'S SUCCESSOR.

The Rev. G. H. Wallace, Who Preached at the 128th Street Church Yesterday, May Be Called.

The Rev. George H. Wallace occupied the pulpit of the Rev. Charles S. Robinson, D. D., in the New York Presbyterian Church, One Hundred and Twenty-eighth Street and Seventh Avenue, yesterday morning and evening. He preached an ordinary sermon, and in no way referred to the troubles of the church or the resignation of Dr. Robinson, who has been pastor for the past five years.

At the close of the morning services a meeting of the members of the church was held in the chapel. Mr. William Fleck was unanimously elected Chairman, and he announced that the object of the meeting was to appoint a committee to appear before the meeting of the Presbytery this afternoon, and to unite with Dr. Robinson in his request to the Presbytery to sever his pastoral relations with the New York Presbyterian Church.

The following committee was appointed and instructed to so act: Thomas Anderson, Killaen Van Rensselaer, F. M. Weed, S. Anderson, William Flack, and P. Q. Eckerson.

The money owing to Dr. Robinson by the church has been paid, and there is little doubt that the Presbytery will dissolve the pastoral relations, as requested. There has been no official discussion as to who will be called to the church. Dr. John R. Paxton, who had been preaching for several Sundays past, stated that he would not accept the call. There is, however, a possibility that Dr. Wallace, who occupied the pulpit yesterday, will be invited to retain it.

TO MAKE SERVICES ATTRACTIVE.

A Plan Successfully Followed at the Bloomingdale Church.

The Sunday evening service is one of the problems which most churches are seeking to solve. The regular congregation ordinarily attend only the morning service, and unless the second service is composed largely of strangers, vacant seats usually stare the preacher in the face. The Bloomingdale Church, on the Boulevard and West Sixty-eighth Street, Rev. Madison C. Peters, D. D., pastor, has solved the problem successfully. The Sunday night congregations usually overflow the possibilities of the building, and it is a noticeable fact that a majority of the evening congregation are men. Five hundred young men were counted at one evening service.

The programme of this service is varied. Beginning at 7:45 for fifteen minutes there is an organ recital. Promptly at 8 o'clock begin the devotional exercises, which are printed, all the congregation taking part. Then follows a musical service, in which not only the choir sing, but the pastor tells the story of the origin of a number of popular hymns, in which the congregation unites, after which the pastor discusses for from five to ten minutes some important question of the day, usually along economic and patriotic lines, after which follows a practical sermon. At 9:15 the service is over.

Cordiality in welcome is a characteristic of this church. The officers of the church are at the door to receive strangers and usher them to seats, and no one, whether rich or poor, is kept waiting in the vestibule as long as there is a vacant seat in the church. The pastor, after the service, stations himself at the main entrance and shakes hands with all who come within his reach. These are a few of the open secrets why the evening service is a great success at Bloomingdale Church.

CHURCH OF THE STRANGERS.

May Decide to Buy the Central Congregational Church.

The members of the Church of the Strangers, in Mercer Street, the Rev. Dr. D. Asa Blackburn, pastor, are to hold a congregational meeting next Wednesday evening for the purpose of deciding upon a place of worship after the 1st of next May. If there is no change before the date of the meeting in what now appears to be the disposition of a majority of the members, the action will be a decision to purchase the Central Congregational Church, on Fifty-seventh Street, between Eighth and Ninth Avenues.

The reason which leads the members of the Church of the Strangers to select the Central Congregational Church, in West Fifty-seventh Street, is the same which has impelled certain other churches to try to sell to them. About 180 members of the church live above Ninety-fifth Street, 70 live between Ninety-fifth and Twenty-third Streets, and another 100 live below Twenty-third Street. The balance of the total of about 500 live in Brooklyn, New Jersey, and Westchester County.

The Central Congregational Church, which may be the future Church of the Strangers, was at one time the Unitarian Church of the Saviour. When its minister, the Rev. Dr. Pullman, was called to Lynn, Mass., its congregation sold the church to the Central Congregational Church, which was organized in 1881 by the Rev. Dr. Lloyd, with forty members, and is now about to disband, owing to the ill health of its only pastor, Dr. Lloyd, who will go abroad for six months if the sale of the church is consummated.

The reason for the refusal of the Church of the Strangers to renew the lease on its present church building is the $8,000 yearly rental demanded by the Sailors' Snug Harbor corporation. The rental long paid has been $1,800. The Church of the Strangers has raised toward the purchase of a new place of worship about $35,000, and the church it proposes to buy will cost $100,000, or thereabouts.

Episcopal Church Statistics.

The growth of the communicant list of the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States during the church year just closed has been 21,980, or 3 per cent. The present number of communicants is given as 664,107. The growth within the Diocese of Long Island was last year 1 per cent. above that throughout the country; in the Diocese of New York and New Jersey, 2 per cent., and in the Diocese of Newark 3 per cent. In Connecticut there was an actual falling off of 125 in the communicant list. The number of baptisms last year was 65,931. The number of Sunday school scholars in the Church is 435,968, and the total contributions of the Church to all causes was $12,714,141.42, or almost exactly the same as last year.

Founding of a Church Celebrated.

The eighth anniversary of the founding of the Carmelite Church of Our Lady of the Scapular was celebrated yesterday with special services in the church, in East Twenty-eighth Street. From early mass until late last night the church was thronged with members of the congregation, the services being conducted by Fathers Southwell, Daly, Stone, and McCabe. In the afternoon a sermon was preached by the Rev. Father Nicoll of Dublin.

Saratogian Killed by a Train.

SCHENECTADY, Dec. 12.—Gus Hettrick was killed in this city this morning while trying to board a New York Central freight train. He fell under the wheels and received injuries from which he died two hours later. His family resides in Saratoga Springs.

CREED THAT IS UNWRITTEN

Dr. Minot J. Savage Expounds the Broad, Elastic Principles of Unitarianism.

CHURCH A SCHOOL FOR SOULS

None Ostracised Because of a Difference of Opinion—Logic, Toleration, and Free Discussion the Basis of Belief.

The Rev. Minot J. Savage, at the Church of the Messiah yesterday morning, preached a sermon explaining why Unitarians have no creed.

"Of course the answer, though it sounds like a Hibernicism," he said, "is to say that they do have a creed. Not a creed in the sense in which some of the older Churches use the word. If by creed you mean a written or published statement of belief, one that is supposed to be fixed and final, one that is a test of religious fellowship, which is placed at the door of the Church, so that no one not accepting it is able to enter, why, then we have no creed. But in the broader sense of the word it means belief, and Unitarians believe quite as much, and in my judgment, things far nobler and grander, than those that have been believed in the past.

"We are ready, if any one wishes it, to write out our creed; we can arrange it any way that is satisfactory to the questioner, only we will not promise to believe all of it to-morrow; we will not say that we will never learn anything new; we will not make it a test of fellowship; we will admit not only to our meeting house, but to our Church organization, if they wish to come, people who do not believe all the articles of the creed that we shall write.

"Perhaps we will admit people who do not believe any of it, for our conception of a Church is not the old conception. What was that? That it was a sort of ark in which the saved were taken to be carried over the stormy sea of this life and into the haven of eternal felicity beyond. As opposed to that our conception of the Church is that it is a school, a place where souls are to be trained, to be educated, and so we would as soon refuse to admit an ignorant pupil to a school as to refuse to admit a person on account of his belief to our Church. We welcome all who wish to come and learn, and if, after they have studied with us for a year they do not then accept all the points which some of us believe, and even believe to be important, we do not turn them out even on that account.

"Unitarians, then, do have a creed, only is not fixed, it is not final, and it is not the condition of religious fellowship.

"The universe is infinite, God is infinite, truth is infinite. If on the background of the infinite you draw a circle, no matter how large it may be, no matter how wide in diameter, do you not see that you necessarily shut out more than you shut in? Do you not see that you limit the range of thought, set bounds to investigation, and that you pledge yourselves beforehand that the larger part of truth, of God, of the universe you will never study, you will never question?

"It has always seemed to me a strange attitude of mind for a man to feel perfectly certain that a certain position is sound and true, and to be angry when anybody asks a question about it. If there are good reasons for holding it, instead of calling names why not show us the reasons? There is no position that I hold to-day that I consider so sacred that people are not at liberty to ask any question about it they please, and if they do not see a good reason for accepting it, I certainly am not going to be angry with them for declining to accept.

"I venture the truth of the statement that if you should inquire over this country to-day you would find that the large majority of people who have been trained in the old faith are in an attitude of fear toward modern thought. Thousands of them would come to us to-day if they were not kept back by this inherited and ingrained doubt as to the danger of asking questions.

"I do not wish to make a charge against my brethren—it puts them in a very curious attitude indeed toward the truth. They must not accept it unless it conflicts with the old creed, however much they may be convinced it is true. If they do accept it they must either leave the Church or they must keep still about it and remain in an attitude of appearing to believe what they really do not believe. Or else they must do violence to the creed, reinterpreting it in such a way as to make it mean what the framers of it had never dreamed of.

"Modern thought does come into the minds of men; they cannot escape it. What does it mean? It means simply a new, higher, grander revelation of God. And it is wise for us to put ourselves into such a position that it shall seem criminal and evil for us to accept it? If we pledge ourselves not to learn the things we can know then we stunt ourselves intellectually. We then propose to hold ourselves free so far as a fixed and final creed is concerned, because we wish to be able to study it and accept the truth.

"Here is this nineteenth century of ours which has done more for the advancement of man than the preceding fifteen centuries of Church dominance all put together. Political liberty, religious liberty, universal education, the enfranchisement and elevation of women, temperance, the abolition of slavery—almost everything has been achieved until the world, the face of it, has been transformed. And yet Pope Pius IX., in a letter which he issued a little while before his death, pronounced, ex-cathedra, and infallibly, the opinion that this whole modern society was Godless.

"Matthew Arnold, an agnostic, has put into two or three lines what might well be the creed of the person who doubts so much that he thinks nothing is settled. If you cannot say any more than this, here is all that is absolutely necessary to the very noblest life:

Hath man no second life?
Pitch this one high.
Sits there no judge in heaven our sin to see?
More strictly then, the inward judge obey.
Was Christ a man like us?
Ah, let us try if we, then, too,
Can be such men as He.

A REPLY TO DR. SAVAGE.

Dr. Remensnyder Defends the Ecumenical Creeds and Tells Why They Should Be Preserved.

The Rev. Dr. J. B. Remensnyder, at St. James's Lutheran Church, Seventy-third Street and Madison Avenue, yesterday evening preached on "Creeds; Defense of the Bible, and Christianity." He said in part:

"It would be a cardinal mistake for the Church to ignore the power of the secular press in our day. That it exerts a great influence, often for good, unhappily often also for evil, is impossible to deny. Our late Lutheran conference in Brooklyn warned our people against the disposition of the daily press to give undue prominence to reports of heresies, dangerous notions, and attacks upon evangelical Christianity. As illustrating the need for this our leading secular journals, quite ignoring the 500 sermons preached in our city, gave large reports last Monday of a bitter attack upon the Christian creeds.

"The three singled out were those called ecumenical, or catholic, because they are confessed by all Christian churches—Greek, Roman, and Protestant; that is, the Apostles', Nicene, and Athanasian. Of these confessions it was said that they were 'tyrannical, demonstrably untrue, that 'their statements about God were horrible,' and much more in the same vein. The Christian community of this city was appealed to in these words: 'Oh, let us purge these statements of far outgrown crudities, cruelties, falsities, blasphemies, infamies!'

"This clerical assailant charges that the Apostles' creed contains many things that nobody believes, that it vein. The Christian year 500 A. D., and did not originate at all from the Apostles, and that, therefore, it is absurd to attribute it to them. This assertion as to date appears true in form, but it is false in fact, as the speaker could not but know. Both the Christian fathers, Irenæus and Tertullian, who lived in the second century A. D., give us in their works the leading clauses of this creed as used by the Church in that early time, and declare that it was the traditional faith received from the Apostles. And Jerome, who lived in the fourth century A. D., tells us that it was dictated by the Apostles and calls it the Apostles' Creed.

"To charge that the hundreds of millions of Christians who every Sunday rise in their sanctuaries, and, with faces upturned toward God, solemnly offering their faith in the articles of this creed, do not believe what they affirm, is to charge upon them a deliberate falsehood and sacrilege, which is as gross a slander as human lips could utter.

"As to the charge against the Nicene creed, that it was evolved out of 'conflicting and anti-religious conditions,' we answer that it arose from a struggle upon which depended the very life of Christianity, since the arch-heretic had challenged the true divinity of Christ. To save the Church from utter ruin a universal council was called at Nicea in 325 A. D., and from this august council, guided by the spirit of God, issued that grand creed—the Nicene.

"The original intention and first use of a cred was a confession of faith and a confession of Christ made obligatory upon His disciples. Creeds again are useful as defenses of Christianity. Jesus Christ admonishes His followers that in all times there will be wolves in sheeps' clothing, pastors who wear the livery of Christianity for the sake of betraying it, ministers who use the cover of their ordination to detract from the authenticity of the Scriptures they have sworn to defend.

"Creeds resist the assault of cunning skepticism, and preserve in their incorrupted integrity the Bible, the Church, and the Christian system. Again creeds are the lodgement of the victories of Christianity. They enshrine truths which were once hotly contested, but which authority is now forever settled. A further use is as a visible sign of Christian unity. Many things divide us in our divisions, creeds point us to our underlying unit. For example, a Protestant in a Catholic country feels that there is still a unity in Christ when he can join in the confession of the Apostles' Creed.

"What is the advance made by the Unitarian Church which is the especially liberal and progressive Church? Though established in America for nearly two centuries the whole denomination numbers but 400 churches and 70,000 members, while the creed-holding churches number 200,000 churches and have 26,000,000 members. Ralph Waldo Emerson admitted that New England Unitarianism was in a dying condition because it could not, in his expressive phrase, 'subsist upon pale negations.'

"The real motive of these attacks upon our holy and venerated creeds is not born of progress or liberty, but of hatred of the Bible. Hence in the attack last Sunday these words occur: 'Where do they get the authority for these old beliefs? They tell us in the Bible, and what do we find in the Bible? The Bible upholds polygamy, slavery, cruelty of almost every kind. You might prove immorality of almost any kind from the Bible.' Herein lies the true animus of the creed revilers. It is not the creed that is hated but those great supernatural features of religion for which the creed stands. It is not back to Christ that these assailants would lead us, but back to paganism."

In Honor of Father Carroll.

The twenty-five years' pastorate of the Rev. Martin Carroll was made the occasion of a musical vespers last night in the Church of St. Vincent de Paul in North Sixth Street, Williamsburg, and, also to commemorate the event, a new $10,000 organ was used for the first time. Bishop McDonnell of Brooklyn presided at the service, and there were present, beside a large congregation, more than forty clergymen. The Rev. Father Carroll received many handsome gifts. The musical programme was rendered by the choir of the church, comprising Miss Kathrin Hilke, soprano; Miss Mary Louise Clary, contralto; John J. Clancy, tenor, and Carl Steinbuck, basso, and was under the direction of the organist, J. Sergé Joannes. The Rev. Dr. Henry A. Brann of the Church of St. Agnes, this city, delivered a lecture on "Music."

Westminster Standards Celebration.

Next Thursday evening the Presbytery of Brooklyn will celebrate the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of the adoption of the Westminster Standards in the Classon Avenue Church, corner of Monroe Street. The principal address will be given by President Patton of Princeton University.

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Range for Year 1897. Highest.	Lowest.	Saturday, Dec. 11. Bid.	Ask'd	Net Ch'ge Past Week.	STOCKS. Total Sales Ending Week Dec. 11, 2,021,387.	Amount Outstanding.	Last Dividend. Date.	Per Cent.	Week Ending Dec. 11. First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Closing a Year Ago.	Sales For Week End. Dec. 11, 1897.
160 Oct. 5.	150 Feb. 10.	156	162		Adams Express	$12,000,000	Dec. 1, '97.	2	156	158	156	156¼	148¼	85
26⅝ Sep. 12.	9¼ May 28.	22½	23	+⅜	American Cotton Oil	20,237,100	.....	..	22¾	23⅜	22	23	13	1,825
80¼ Sep. 1.	52¼ Feb. 15.	75	76		American Cotton Oil pf	10,198,600	Dec. 1, '97.	3	75	75	75	75	51	347
118¾ Nov. 19.	110 Jan. 5.	115	117		American Express	18,000,000	July 1, '97.	3	116½	117¼	116	117	109	314
15⅞ Aug. 5.	6¼ Nov. 23.	8	8¼	+⅛	American Spirits	28,000,000	.....	..	⅞	8⅜	7¾	8	13	3,510
35 Aug. 5.	16⅜ Nov. 23.	19	21	+1½	American Spirits Manufacturing pf	7,000,000	.....	..	19	21½	19	20¼	29	830
159½ Sep. 8.	109¼ Mch. 29.	142¾	143	+3⅝	American Sugar Refining Co	36,968,000	Oct. 2, '97.	3	139¾	145¾	139¾	142⅞	117	403,075
121½ Sep. 14.	100¼ Jan. 7.	114½	115½	+1	American Sugar Refining Co. pf	36,968,000	Oct. 2, '97.	1¾	114⅝	115	114½	115	102½	839
93¾ Aug. 12.	86 Mch. 4.	...	92		American Tel. & Cable Company	14,000,000	Sept. 1, '97.	1¼	91½	91½	91	91½	91	80
96¾ Aug. 9.	67½ Feb. 15.	88	88¼	+4½	American Tobacco	17,900,000	Nov. 1, '97.	1½	84	88⅝	84	88¼	75	74,658
115 Aug. 6.	108 Feb. 11.	112	113½	+2½	American Tobacco pf	11,935,000	Nov. 1, '97.	2	113	113	113	113	102	500
40 Aug. 12.	22¼ Apl. 8.	32	34		Ann Arbor pf	4,000,000	.....	..	33½	33½	33	33	24	387
17 Sep. 15.	9½ Apl. 19.	12¾	13¼	+¼	Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé	102,000,000	.....	..	13	13⅜	12¾	13	...	4,146
35¼ Sep. 15.	17⅛ Apl. 19.	29½	30	+1½	Atchison, Topeka & Santa Fé pf	119,657,300	.....	..	28½	30⅜	28½	29½	22⅞	53,002
21½ Sep. 20.	9 July 10.	13¼	13¾	+⅞	Baltimore & Ohio	25,000,000	Nov. 15, '94.	..	12⅞	13⅜	12⅜	13½	14½	7,915
9⅞ Sep. 20.	3 May 22.	6¼	7	+⅛	Baltimore & Ohio Southwestern pf	20,000,000	.....	..	6	6½	6	6½	...	600
16½ Aug. 17.	8¾ Oct. 28.	5¾	6½	+⅛	Bay State Gas	50,000,000	.....	..	5⅛	6½	5¾	5¾	11¼	50,023
87 Sep. 13.	18⅝ Jan. 7.	33⅝	33⅝	+2½	Brooklyn Rapid Transit	20,000,000	.....	..	32	35	31½	34	21	28,658
137 Sep. 13.	85 Jan. 7.	117	119	−2½	Brooklyn Union Gas	15,000,000	Dec. 1, '97.	3	118	118½	118	116¾	91	1,770
6½ Dec. 1.	⅝ June 16.	5⅝	6	−½	Brunswick Co., 2d in. pd	5,000,000	.....	..	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	...	950
66¾ Sep. 20.	58 Nov. 22.	57½	59		Buffalo, Rochester & Pittsburg pf	6,000,000	Aug. 16, '97.	1	59⅞	59½	59⅛	59⅝	58	30
62⅞ Sep. 10.	44⅛ Jan. 13.	55½	56½	+1¾	Canada Southern	15,000,000	Aug. 2, '97.	1	55	56⅞	55	56¼	48¾	6,287
81¾ Oct. 14.	46½ Mch. 29.	80¾	81¼	+½	Canadian Pacific	65,000,000	Oct. 1, '97.	1½	81	81	81	81	56	700
63 Dec. 10.	50½ Oct. 11.	61	...		Capital Traction	12,000,000	Oct. 1, '97.	65c.	62½	63	62½	63	...	300
18 Sep. 28.	7¼ Apl. 20.	10¾	11¾		Central Pacific	67,275,500	July 1, '97.	½	10¾	10¾	10¾	10¾	...	85
27⅛ Oct. 30.	15⅝ Mch. 23.	22½	22⅝	+⅝	Chesapeake & Ohio	60,497,500	.....	..	22	23	22	22⅝	17	18,458
106 Mch. 10.	152½ July 27.	162	...		Chicago & Alton	18,751,100	Sept. 1, '97.	1¾	160	161	160	161	...	51
102¼ Sep. 20.	69½ Jan. 5.	98	98¼	+1½	Chicago, Burlington & Quincy	82,002,800	Sept. 15, '97.	1	98¾	98¾	96½	98	77½	111,189
20⅝ Aug. 12.	8½ June 23.	16¾	16¾	+⅛	Chicago Great Western	20,880,245	.....	..	16½	15¾	15¾	16¾	5⅝	82,502
43 Sep. 20.	31½ Aug. 26.	35	36		Chicago Great Western pf A	11,157,000	.....	..	36½	36½	35	36	...	200
33½ Sep. 20.	19 Aug. 21.	25	27½		Chicago Great Western pf B	7,444,190	.....	..	27½	28½	26⅜	27¼	...	620
74¼ Oct. 8.	71½ Oct. 19.	...	73		Chicago Great Western pf. deb	12,050,500	July 15, '97.	2	74	74	74	74	...	10
13 Aug. 31.	8 Oct. 29.	9¼	10	−¼	Chicago, Indiana & Louisville	10,500,000	.....	..	9¾	10¼	9¼	9¼	...	500
33¼ Sep. 1.	26 Nov. 8.	31	33	+2¼	Chicago, Indiana & Louisville pf	3,883,750	.....	..	29	32	29	32	...	734
102 Sep. 15.	69¼ Apl. 19.	94⅞	95	+1	Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul	48,027,261	Oct. 21, '97.	3	93⅞	95¾	93¾	94⅞	74½	137,894
146 Sep. 4.	130½ Mch. 6.	142	142½	+½	Chicago, Mil. & St. Paul pf	30,792,900	Oct. 21, '97.	3½	141⅝	142½	141⅝	142½	131	1,918
132¼ Sep. 15.	101⅝ Apl. 19.	120½	120¾	+½	Chicago & Northwestern	39,098,383	July 6, '97.	2½	122⅝	123⅝	120	120½	103¾	14,706
165½ Sep. 22.	153 Jan. 12.	164	165		Chicago & Northwestern pf	22,386,600	Oct. 8, '97.	1¾	163½	165½	165	165	149	465
97½ Sep. 20.	60¼ Apl. 19.	90⅝	90⅝	+1⅛	Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific	46,156,000	Nov. 1, '97.	1	89¾	91⅝	89¾	90¾	68¾	79,923
41¼ Sep. 15.	21½ June 1.	35¾	36	+1⅛	Cleveland, Cin., Chi. & St. L.	27,987,835	Aug., '93.	1½	34⅝	37	34⅝	35½	28	7,652
86½ Sep. 8.	63 June 16.	80	85		Cleveland, Cin., Chi. & St. L. pf	10,000,000	Apl. 1, '97.	1¼	80	82	80	82	84	575
49 Dec. 10.	39 Nov. 3.	47	50	+7	Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling pf	5,000,000	Oct., '96.	1	44½	49	44½	49	...	825
5 Aug. 13.	2 Oct. 15.	2½	3	−¼	Cleveland, Lorain & Wheeling pf	500,000	.....	..	2¾	2¾	2¾	2¾	...	500
27½ Sep. 14.	15½ June 28.	23½	24	+2½	Colorado Coal & Iron, Dev., pf	11,000,000	May, '93.	1¾	21½	24	21½	24	25½	4,532
7¾ Aug. 12.	3½ June 4.	4¾	5½	+⅛	Colorado Fuel & Iron	47,000,000	.....	..	5½	5¼	5¼	5¼	6	400
12 Jan. 18.	1½ Apl. 30.	5¼	5¾		Columbus & Hocking Coal, all in. pd	11,696,800	.....	..	5¾	5¾	5¾	5¾	16¼	500
241¼ Sep. 16.	136½ Jan. 2.	180	181	−5	Columbus, Hocking Val. & Toledo	38,230,000	Sep. 15, '97.	2	187	187¾	180½	180½	151½	7,325
41¼ July 19.	28 Nov. 8.	32	33½	−1⅛	Consolidated Gas	6,500,000	.....	..	34¾	35½	33	33¾	...	6,045
90¼ July 29.	80 June 16.	85	89½		Consolidated Ice	3,500,000	Aug. 14, '97.	6	89½	90	88½	90	...	836
122 Sep. 18.	99¾ Apl. 11.	108¾	109¾	−¾	Consolidated Ice pf	35,000,000	Sep. 15, '97.	1¼	109½	110	108	108½	125¼	2,697
164 Apl. 12.	146½ May 20.	151½	153	−3½	Delaware & Hudson	26,200,000	Oct. 20, '97.	1¾	151½	153	151½	151½	158	835
50½ Aug. 16.	36 Apl. 26.	45	45½	+¼	Delaware, Lackawanna & Western	23,650,000	July 15, '97.	1	45	46⅜	45	45⅝	44	4,190
14⅜ Aug. 14.	9¼ Apl. 20.	9	10½		Denver & Rio Grande pf	4,283,000	.....	..	9½	10	9½	10	...	300
19 Sep. 16.	11½ Apl. 19.	14½	14¾		Des Moines & Fort Dodge	100,000,000	.....	..	14½	14⅞	14½	14½	15½	1,310
40⅜ Sep. 16.	27 Apl. 19.	36¼	37¼	+1½	Erie	30,000,000	.....	..	38¾	38¾	36¾	37⅝	38	3,343
25⅝ Aug. 12.	15¼ May 24.	19	20		Erie 1st pf	16,000,000	.....	..	19¾	19½	19¾	19½	19¾	315
14¼ Aug. 30.	9¼ Aug. 5.	12½	14	+¾	Erie 2d pf	3,398,200	.....	..	13	14	13	13¼	...	850
69 Oct. 18.	31 July 29.	...	...		Flint & Pere Marquette	6,342,000	1898.	2	40	40	40	40	...	13
20 Sep. 2.	10 Aug. 14.	...	...		Flint and Pere Marquette pf	2,555,000	.....	..	18	18	18	18	...	430
20¼ Sep. 17.	12 Nov. 29.	15	18	+1	Fort Worth & Denver City	3,108,100	.....	..	15¼	15¼	15¼	16	...	950
41⅝ Sep. 15.	28⅝ May 17.	32	34	−½	Fort Worth & Rio Grande	30,460,000	Aug., '93.	2	33¼	34¼	33¼	33⅛	32½	2,185
141 Sep. 4.	120 June 16.	130	136		General Electric	25,000,000	Nov. 1, '97.	1½	133	133	133	133	...	20
40 Aug. 12.	30 Nov. 29.	...	...		Great Northern pf	2,500,000	.....	..	30	30	30	30	...	50
101 Sep. 20.	81¼ July 31.	94	96½		Green Bay & Western	3,820,100	Oct. 15, '97.	1½	94	94	94	94	...	1
*94 Dec. 11.	*94 Dec. 11.	...	...		H. B. Claflin Co.	2,600,300	Nov. 1, '97.	1½	94	94	94	94	...	1
*94 Dec. 11.	*94 Dec. 11.	...	...		H. B. Claflin Co. 1st pf	2,570,600	Nov. 1, '97.	1½	94	94	94	94	...	1
*94 Dec. 11.	*94 Dec. 11.	...	...		H. B. Claflin Co. 2d pf	10,000,000	.....	..	25	30	25	29	...	3,375
80 Dec. 10.	25 Dec. 9.	29	29½		Hawaiian Sugar	52,500,000	Sep. 1, '97.	2½	102¾	104	102¾	103½	93½	6,073
110¾ Aug. 7.	91¼ Apl. 10.	108	108½	+1	Illinois Central	18,650,635	July, '96.	1½	48	49	48	48¾	43½	2,835
80 Aug. 30.	29¼ Apl. 29.	47	48	+5⅛	Illinois Steel Company	.....	.....	..	9½	9¾	9½	9⅝	8	325
15¼ Sep. 4.	6 Apl. 5.	9⅝	9½		Iowa Central	5,569,376	Apl. 1, '92.	1	33	33½	33	33½	28	200
41¾ Sep. 4.	23 June 8.	33	34		Iowa Central pf	19,983,000	.....	..	23¾	23¾	22¾	22¾	...	4,450
29¾ Sep. 10.	22¾ Dec. 9.	22¾	23¼	−⅝	Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf	1,524,600	Jan. 15, '95.	90c.	15	15	15	15	...	100
19 Aug. 12.	12 Mch. 6.	14	16		Keokuk & Des Moines pf	7,500,000	.....	..	43¾	45¾	43	45	25	6,750
49¾ Aug. 31.	22 May 4.	44½	45	+1¼	Laclede Gas	2,500,000	June 15, '97.	3½	91½	93	91	91	68	816
96 Aug. 31.	70¼ Mch. 24.	88	91	−1½	Laclede Gas pf	11,840,000	.....	..	17	17⅝	17	17⅝	18⅝	970
22½ Sep. 20.	13 May 11.	17	18	+1½	Lake Erie & Western	11,840,000	Nov. 15, '97.	1¼	69	73	69	71	70½	1,905
79¾ Sep. 20.	58¼ Apl. 11.	70½	71	+1½	Lake Erie & Western pf	49,496,500	Aug. 2, '97.	3	174	175	174	175	154½	485
181 Sep. 16.	152 Jan. 2.	173	176	+2	Lake Shore	12,000,000	Nov. 2, '96.	1	34½	34½	34½	34½	50	20
55 Jan. 8.	*34½ Dec. 10.	35	40		Long Island	52,800,000	Aug. '93.	..	54¾	58¼	54¾	57¾	49¾	89,217
65⅝ Sep. 3.	40¼ Apl. 19.	57¾	57⅞	+2⅜	Louisville & Nashville	30,000,000	Oct. 1, '97.	1	104¾	108¾	104¾	107¾	98	98,635
113 Sep. 10.	81⅝ May 6.	107¾	107¼	+3⅝	Manhattan Con	1,885,005	July 1, '97.	2	46	52	46	52	52	475
52 Dec. 11.	40 July 6.	50	55		Maryland Coal pf	30,000,000	Oct., '97.	1¼	118¾	120½	118½	120½	92	11,758
130¼ Dec. 9.	99¾ Oct. 16.	120	130¼	+1⅜	Metropolitan Street Railway	18,738,000	Aug. 2, '97.	2	103½	104	103¾	103½	...	2,165
111⅝ Sep. 8.	90 Jan. 28.	104	105	−1⅜	Michigan Central	6,000,000	.....	..	27	27⅜	26¾	27	92	2,125
31½ Sep. 16.	16 May 14.	26¾	27¼	+1	Minneapolis & St. Louis	2,500,000	July 15, '97.	2½	88¾	89⅞	88¾	88¾	78	246
90 Sep. 16.	77¾ Mch. 18.	88	89		Minneapolis & St. Louis 1st pf	4,000,000	July 15, '97.	1½	58	59	57¾	58⅝	48	1,400
62¾ Sep. 16.	46 Feb. 16.	58	58½	+⅝	Minneapolis & St. Louis 2d pf	16,500,000	July 15, '98.	1½	58¼	58¼	58¼	58¼	60	260
60 Aug. 31.	38 Apl. 14.	58	59½	+⅛	Minnesota Iron	52,450,000	.....	..	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾	13½	2,148
16⅛ Sep. 16.	10 Apl. 19.	13	13¼	+⅛	Missouri, Kansas & Texas	13,000,000	.....	..	34	36⅞	34	36⅝	28⅝	14,827
42 Sep. 15.	24⅝ Apl. 19.	36¾	36¾	+2⅝	Missouri, Kansas & Texas pf	47,442,375	1891.	3	31¾	35⅞	31¾	35¼	21	90,435
40¼ Jan. 7.	10 May 6.	35	35½	+3½	Missouri Pacific	5,320,600	.....	..	27	30¾	27	29	22½	1,370
32 Aug. 19.	18 June 3.	22	20		Mobile & Ohio	15,000,000	July, '97.	3½	170	170	170	170	...	105
170 Sep. 25.	162½ June 11.	172½	...		Morris & Essex	14,905,400	Oct. 17, '95.	1	34¾	35¾	34½	34½	35¼	7,304
44 Sep. 10.	21½ Feb. 16.	34¾	35¼	+⅜	National Lead Co.	14,904,000	Sep. 15, '97.	1¾	104¾	105	104¾	105	89	513
109¾ Sep. 10.	88¾ Jan. 7.	105	105¾	+½	National Lead Co. pf	18,000,000	Sep. 16, '95.	1	17	17	17	17	15¼	340
23½ Aug. 31.	10 May 13.	16¾	17	−½	National Linseed Oil	5,000,000	Mch., '91.	1	5¼	5¼	5¼	5¼	...	100
13 Aug. 31.	3 May 5.	5¾	6	−⅛	National Starch	22,497,000	Nov. 1, '97.	1	85	85½	82¾	84¾	102	43,964
103¼ Jan. 19.	68¼ May 24.	84¾	84¾	+⅝	New Jersey Central	100,000,000	Oct. 15, '97.	1	107¼	109⅜	107¼	108¼	95½	16,505
115½ Sep. 16.	92¼ Feb. 18.	107¾	107¾	+⅝	New York Central	47,636,500	Sep. 30, '97.	2	181¼	181¾	181¼	181¾	...	100
186½ Sep. 20.	160 Feb. 11.	181	182	+1½	New York, New Haven & Hartford	14,000,000	.....	..	14	14	14	14	12	101
17⅝ Sep. 3.	11 Feb. 11.	13	14	+¼	New York, Chicago & St. Louis	.....	.....	..	74	74	74	74	...	50
81½ Sep. 4.	67⅝ Feb. 15.	73	80		New York, Chicago & St. L. 1st pf	11,000,000	.....	..	36	36	36	36	...	200
43⅝ Sep. 20.	24 Feb. 10.	35½	36½	+2	New York, Chicago & St. Louis 2d pf	10,000,000	Oct., '97.	1¼	121¾	121¾	121¾	121¾	...	320
122 Sep. 17.	119 Jan. 5.	...	...		New York, Lackawanna & Western	12,451,000	.....	..	19	19	19	19	10	570
20 Oct. 2.	6½ May 28.	13	15½	−½	New York, Susquehanna & Western	12,951,100	1896.	2½	34¾	35½	34	34½	25¼	1,750
45 Sep. 17.	18½ May 20.	34½	34¾	−⅝	New York, Sus. & Western pf	20,000,000	.....	..	13¼	13¼	13¼	13¼	...	12
17¼ Sep. 10.	9 Apl. 19.	13⅝	14	+⅛	Norfolk & Western	23,000,000	.....	..	42¾	44¾	42¾	44	...	3,157
45⅝ Sep. 4.	22½ May 5.	44	45	+1½	Norfolk & Western pf	39,733,900	.....	..	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼	4¼	2,070
6¼ Aug. 13.	3⅝ Apl. 20.	4½	4¾	+⅛	North American	79,800,000	.....	..	20	21	20	20½	...	31,624
21¾ Sep. 16.	11 Apl. 19.	20½	20½	+2⅝	Northern Pacific	75,000,000	.....	..	56¾	58¾	56⅝	58½	...	114,696
58⅜ Dec. 10.	32¼ Jan. 5.	58½	59¼	+2⅝	Northern Pacific pf	7,000,000	Aug. 1, '90.	—	16	16	16	16	...	200
16½ Dec. 1.	12 Nov. 8.	15	16½	−½	Oregon Imp., 3d in. pd	15,000,000	.....	..	4	4	4	4	10	100
10¾ Jan. 11.	3¼ Nov. 29.	4	4½	−½	Ontario Mining	58,118,982	.....	..	15¾	16	15¾	15¾	15⅛	5,510
20¼ Sep. 11.	12¾ Apl. 19.	15¾	15⅞	+½	Ontario & Western	24,000,000	.....	..	87	87¾	87	87¾	...	444
41 Sep. 10.	16 Jan. 8.	36	36½	+1⅜	Oregon Railroad & Navigation	13,651,500	.....	..	70	71	70	71	37½	987
73¼ Sep. 11.	37⅝ Jan. 8.	71	72	+2	Oregon Railroad & Navigation pf	24,778,600	.....	..	18½	19¼	18¾	19¼	...	450
24¾ Sep. 16.	17¾ July 9.	19⅜	19⅜	+½	Oregon Short Line	20,000,000	Dec. 1, '97.	1	30¾	32	30¾	31¾	25⅜	6,305
32⅝ Aug. 16.	24 Jan. 9.	30¼	30½	+⅝	Pacific Mail	129,803,250	Nov. 30, '97.	2½	113	113½	113¼	113	...	3,612
30¾ Sep. 2.	19 Nov. 9.	112⅝	113½	+⅝	Pennsylvania Railroad	8,400,000	.....	..	1¼	1¼	1	1	...	250
119 Sep. 20.	100¼ Nov. 9.	...	1	−⅛	Peoria, Decatur & Evansville	25,000,000	Nov. 24, '97.	1½	94½	96¾	94½	96¼	68,570
8¾ Aug. 17.	¼ June 2.	⅝	1	+⅛	People's Gas, Chicago	24,354,837	.....	..	35	35⅞	34¾	34¾	14½	4,856
99⅝ Dec. 8.	91 Nov. 26.	98	99¼	+½	Pitts., Cin., Chi. & St. Louis	22,658,460	Jan. 27, '98.	2	68	68½	68¾	68¾	...	1,400
35⅛ Dec. 8.	11¼ Mch. 29.	34½	34⅝	−1¼	Pitts., Cin., Chi. & St. Louis pf	15,000,000	.....	..	6	7¾	6	7¾	...	300
70¼ Oct. 20.	44¼ June 25.	65½	67¼		Pittsburg & Western	30,000,000	Nov. 15, '97.	2	173	173	173½	173½	157	600
12 Sep. 13.	4⅝ Aug. 15.	6½	8	−⅛	Pullman Palace Car Company	5,706,700	.....	..	1¾	1¾	1¾	1¾	...	100
188 Sep. 16.	153 Jan. 2.	173½	174		Quicksilver	60,000,000	.....	..	22	22	20¾	21½	...	13,345
4¼ Aug. 30.	1¼ June 4.	¾	2½	−⅛	Reading	28,000,000	.....	..	43	45¼	47	47¾	...	11,650
29¼ Sep. 20.	16⅝ Apl. 19.	21	21½	−⅛	Reading 1st pf	42,000,000	.....	..	27⅝	27⅝	28	28¼	...	2,750
57⅝ Sep. 20.	35⅞ Apl. 19.	47¼	47⅝	−1¼	Reading 2d pf	6,500,000	Nov. 15, '97.	⅝	57	58	57	58	...	980
35⅞ Sep. 20.	22⅞ Apl. 19.	26	27		Rio Grande Western pf	4,600,000	.....	..	8	9⅜	7¾	7¾	...	2,065
80¾ Sep. 16.	52¾ June 25.	58½	60	−½	St. Joseph & Grand Island	5,497,600	.....	..	48¼	50¾	47¾	49	...	3,718
9⅝ Sep. 2.	5¼ June 14.	7¼	8¼	+⅛	St. Joseph & Grand Island 1st pf	3,430,000	.....	..	17	17⅞	17	17	...	1,624
52 Sep. 2.	37⅜ June 10.	48¾	49¾	+⅛	St. Joseph & Grand Island 2d pf	29,000,000	.....	..	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾	3	1,006
20¼ Sep. 1.	10¼ July 28.	17	17½	+⅛	St. Louis & San Francisco	5,000,000	July 1, '92.	2	57¼	58¾	58¾	58¾	37	5,020
9 Aug. 12.	4 Apl. 19.	7⅜	7⅝	+⅛	St. Louis & San Francisco 1st pf	16,000,000	.....	..	23	25½	23	25	13¾	13,654
58⅝ Dec. 9.	37 Jan. 29.	55⅝	55⅞	+1	St. Louis & San Francisco 2d pf	16,500,000	.....	..	4¾	4¾	4½	4½	4¾	420
25¼ Dec. 11.	13 Apl. 15.	25	25¼	+1	St. Louis Southwestern	20,000,000	.....	..	10¾	11	10	11	10½	1,970
7 Aug. 16.	1 Apl. 1.	4½	5	+1	St. Louis Southwestern pf	20,000,000	Nov. 1, '97.	1½	104	11	10	11	10½	150
14⅝ Sep. 8.	8¼ Apl. 1.	10⅝	11		St. Paul & Omaha	18,559,157	Feb. 20, '97.	2	124	124	124	124	122½	10,050
125 Aug. 6.	114 Jan. 28.	122	125		Southern Pacific	70,000,100	.....	..	78¾	79¼	77¼	78¾	60	10,050
80½ Dec. 16.	47 Jan. 2.	77¾	78	+½	Southern Railway	120,000,000	.....	..	20¾	21¾	20¾	20¾	15¾	1,744
32½ Sep. 8.	13¼ Jan. 13.	30½	31	+½	Southern Railway pf	54,800,000	Jan. 4, '97.	1	9	9¾	9	9¾	20	7,388
12⅝ Sep. 10.	... Apl. ...	13	13½	+⅝	Standard Gas	5,000,000	Oct., '97.	1½	30¾	33½	30	33¼	29	50,353
38⅝ Sep. 10.	23⅝ Apl. 19.	28¾	28¾	+3¼	Standard Rope & Twine	12,000,000	.....	..	140	140	140	140	...	10
*140 Dec. 7.	*81 Jan. 28.	148	150		Tennessee Coal & Iron	20,000,000	1897.	1	4¼	4½	4¼	4½	10½	213
11⅜ Jan. 18.	3½ Jan. 20.	...	...	+⅝	Texas Pacific	48,710,900	.....	..	25¾	27¼	25¾	27¼	27¼	9,020
35¾ Sep. 8.	17 May 20.	26¾	26¾		Union Pacific, all in pd	60,968,500	Apl. 1, '94.	..	11¾	12⅝	11¾	11¾	9½	6,495
15 Oct. 20.	8 Apl. 1.	11⅜	12	−1⅜	Union Pacific, Denver & Gulf 1 pf	29,380,182	.....	..	39	39½	34¾	34¾	...	41,978
31⅝ Oct. 20.	24¼ Apl. 19.	24⅝	24½	−½	United States Express	10,000,000	Nov., '97.	1½	8	8½	8	8	...	2,575
8¾ Sep. 23.	1 Aug. 24.	4	5		United States Leather	61,509,900	.....	..	40	41	40	40	...	75
45 July 22.	30 Mch. 19.	40	43		United States Leather pf	60,908,900	Oct., '97.	2	7¾	7¾	7¾	7¾	9¾	2,405
10 Aug. 22.	6¼ May 22.	7½	7½	+⅛	United States Rubber	20,166,000	Feb. 15, '97.	2	65¾	65¾	65¾	65¾	61¾	6,472
23 Sep. 1.	10 June 3.	14	15¾		United States Rubber pf	19,400,000	July 15, '97.	2	16¾	16¾	15¾	16¾	25½	1,300
72¾ Jan. 19.	50 July 20.	65¾	67¼	+1⅝	Wabash	25,000,000	.....	..	6	6	6	6	6¾	500
9¾ Jan. 4.	4¾ Mch. 23.	6	6		Wabash pf	24,000,000	.....	..	11¾	12	11¾	11¾	13¾	13,880
29 Sep. 20.	11¾ Apl. 19.	15	15¾	+⅝	Wells-Fargo Express	3,000,000	July 15, '97.	3	111½	111½	111½	111½	99½	5
118 Nov. 17.	88 June 16.	113	115		West Chicago Street	13,146,000	Nov. 15, '97.	1½	102½	103¾	102½	103¼	...	3,415
112 Aug. 15.	100¾

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TRANSACTIONS AND CHANGES.

On the Stock Exchange for the week ended Saturday, Dec. 11, total transactions included 3,021,387 shares of stock, $20,172,500 bonds, with $26,000 Government and $110,000 State bonds.

The week's dealings compare as follows with those of the corresponding week last year:

STOCKS.

	Dec. 13, '96.	Dec. 11, '97.	Difference.
R. R. & Mis.	784,346	2,021,387 Inc.	1,237,121
Banks	304	148 Dec.	56
Mining	700	1,100 Inc.	400

BONDS.

R. R. & Mis.	$8,202,000	$20,172,500 Inc.	$11,774,500
State	52,000	110,000 Inc.	58,000
Government	211,000	26,000 Dec.	185,000

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Net changes in stocks for the week of 1 per cent. or more were:

Stocks Advanced.

Am. Sp. Mfg. pf.	1½	Louis. & Nash.	2½
Am. Sug. Refg.	2½	Manhattan	2½
Am. Sug. Refg. pf.	1	Met. St. Ry.	1½
Am. Tobacco	6½	Minn. & St. L.	1
At., T. & S. F. pf.	1½	Missouri Pacific	1½
Brooklyn R. T.	2½	Mo., K. & Texas pf.	2½
Can. Southern	1½	N. Y., N. H. & H.	1½
C., Ind. & Louis. pf.	2½	N. Y., C. & St. L. 2d pf.	3
Chi., B. & Q.	1½	Norfolk & W. pf.	½
C., C. C. & St. L.	1½	Northern Pac. pf.	½
Chi., Mil. & St. P.	1	Ore. R. & Nav.	1½
Chi., R. I. & Pac.	1½	Ore. R. & N. pf.	1½
Cleve., Lor. & W. pf.	1	Peo., D. & Evans.	1½
Col. Fuel & Iron	2½	People's Gas	1½
Erie 1st pf.	1½	St. L. & S. F. 1st pf.	1
Ft. W. & Rio Grande	1	St. L. & S. F. 2d pf.	2
Illinois Central	1	St. L. & S. W. pf.	1
Illinois Steel Co.	3½	Southern Ry. pf.	2½
Laclede Gas	1½	U. S. Leather pf.	½
Lake Erie & Western	1½	U. S. Rubber pf.	1½
Lake Shore	1	Western Union Tel.	1½

Stocks Declined.

Brooklyn Union Gas.	2½	Mich. Cent.	1½
Consolidated Ice	1½	Pitts., C., C. & St. L.	1½
Consolidated Gas	5	Pref.	1½
Del., L. & West.	5½	Reading 2d pf.	1½
Laclede Gas pf.	1½	Union Pac., all in. pd.	1½

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Net changes in bonds for the week of 1 per cent. or more were:

Bonds Advanced.

Am. Sp. Mfg. 6s	1½	Manhattan Con.	1½
At. T. & S. F. adj.	1½	Mo., K. & T. 2d	1½
Brook. Rap. Tran. 5s	1½	Mil., L. S. & W. ext. and s. f. 6s	2
Chi., Bur. & Qy. deb. 5s	1	Mo. Pacific Con.	4½
Chi., B. & Q. conv.	1½	Mo. Pac. col. 5s	7
Chi., Mil. & St. P., T. & D. Ext. 7s	1	Mobile & Ohio new 6s	1½
Chi., Mil. & St. P. Southwest 6s	1	Mobile & Ohio gen. 4s	4
Chi. & Northwest deb. 5s, 1921	2	Nor. Pac. gen. lien.	1½
Chi., St. P., M. & O. con.	1	Nor. Pac. prior lien.	1½
Col. Term. Trans. cfs.	1½	Nor. Pac. Term.	1½
Col., H. V. & Tol. 5s, $45 pd.	1½	Nor. Ry. of Cal. 5s	2½
Den. & R. G. con. 4s	1½	Or. Imp. 1st, tr. r.	2
Del. & Iron Range 1st	1½	Or. Sh. Line Con.	1
Erie 1st ext.	1	Penn. 4½s, coup.	3½
Evans. & T. H. gen.	2	St. Jo. & Gr. Is. 1st	2½
Flint & P. M. 6s	1½	St. L. & San Fran. 4s	1½
Flint & P. M. 5s	2	St. L. Southwest 1st	1
Ft. W. & Den. City 1st	1	St. L. & Iron Mt. 5s	2
Iowa Central 1st	1	Southern Ry. 5s	1½
Laclede Gas 1st	1	Tex. Pac. 1st	1
Louis. & Nash. unif. 4s	1½	Tol. St. L. & K. C. 1st, t. r.	4
L. & N., P. & A. 1st	3	U. Pac. 6s, 1896, ex m c.	1½
		U. P., D. & G. 1st, t. r.	1½
		U. S. Leather 6s	1
		Wabash 1st	1½
		Wabash 2d	1½

Bonds Declined.

Cleve. & Canton 1st, t. r.	2	Kan. Pac. Con., t. r.	4½
Fulton Elevated 1st	4		

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.

Monday, Dec. 13.

Amsterdam Street Railway—Annual meeting.
Boston and Lowell—Books open.
Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific—Books reopen.

Tuesday, Dec. 14.

Amsterdam Street Railway—Books reopen.
Chicago Junction Railways and Union Stock Yards—Books close for dividend on common stock.
East River Gas Company—Special meeting.
New Amsterdam Gas—Special meeting.
New Central Coal—Annual meeting.
Texas Pacific—Meeting of Directors.
Welsbach Light—Books close for dividend.

Wednesday, Dec. 15.

American Sugar Refining books close for dividend on common and preferred stocks.
Amory Manufacturing, Boston — Dividend payable.
Buffalo Railway—Dividend payable.
Chicago, Burlington and Quincy—Dividend payable.
Chicago and Eastern Illinois—Books close for dividend on preferred stock.
Chicago City Railway—Books close for dividend.
Chicago Junction Railways and Union Stock Yards—Books close for dividend on preferred stock.
Consolidated Gas—Dividend payable.
Delaware and Hudson—Dividend payable.
East Mahanoy Railroad—Dividend payable.
Eastern Live Stock Express—Special meeting.
Laclede Gas Light, St. Louis—Dividend payable on preferred stock.
Maryland Coal Company—Books close for dividend on preferred stock.
National Lead—Dividend payable on preferred stock.
New York and East River Ferry—Dividend payable.
Old Colony Railroad—Dividend payable.
Oregon Railroad and Navigation—Books close for dividend on preferred stock.
Southern Cotton Oil—Dividend payable.
Spirits Distributing Company—Dividend payable.
Standard Oil—Dividend payable.
State Street Exchange, Boston—Dividend payable.
Stark Mills, Boston—Dividend payable.
Tamarack Mining—Books reopen.
United States Leather—Books close for dividend on preferred stock.

Thursday, Dec. 16.

Amory Manufacturing, Boston—Books reopen.
Baltimore Consolidated Traction — Meeting Directors.
Buffalo Railway—Books reopen.
Laclede Gas—Books reopen after dividend on preferred stock.
National Lead preferred — Books reopen after dividend on preferred stock.
Oregon Improvement—Fourth assessment payable.
Spirits Distributing—Books reopen.
Standard Oil—Books reopen.
State Street Exchange, Boston—Books reopen.
Stark Mills, Boston—Books reopen.

Friday, Dec. 17.

Dominion Coal—Books close for dividend on preferred stock.

[illegible] Co.—Books close for annual dividend.

Saturday, Dec. 18.

Bradley Fertilizer Company—Stocks close for dividend.
Henry Disbrow Company—Annual meeting.

SALES OF MINING STOCKS.

The following sales of mining stocks were made during the past week:

ON THE STOCK EXCHANGE.

	First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.
Iron Silver	.26	.26	.26	.26	100
Mex. & P.	.32	.32	.32	.32	100
Standard	1.70	1.70	1.70	1.70	300
Total sales					1,100

ON THE CONSOLIDATED EXCHANGE.

	First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.
Belcher	.15	.15	.13	.13	800
Best & B.	.48	.61	.48	.48	400
Brunswick	.13	.13	.12	.13	1,100
Challar	.37	.37	.37	.37	100
Con. Imp.	.03	.03	.03	.03	1,000
C. & C. C.	.04	.04	.04	.04	1,000
C. C. Con.	.10	.10	.09	.09	3,000
C. C. & Va.	1.40	1.40	1.30	2.40	1,250
Crown P.	.10	.10	.10	.10	500
Gould & C.	.40	.40	.40	.40	200
Hale & N.	1.35	1.35	1.35	1.35	1,200
Horn Silv.	1.65	1.65	1.65	1.65	200
Iron Silver	.30	.30	.30	.30	200
M. Gibson	.20	.20	.20	.20	500
Pharmacist	.07	.08	.07	.08	2,200
Phenix	.04	.04	.04	.04	100
Portland	.62	.70	.62	.65	1,200
Savage	.27	.27	.27	.27	600
Standard	1.67	1.68	1.65	1.65	500
Syndicate	.06	.09	.06	.06	500
Union	.13	.13	.13	.13	2,000
Total sales					17,750

ON THE MINING EXCHANGE.

	First.	High.	Low.	Last.	sales.
Alamo	.02⅝	.03	.02½	.02½	45,500
A. Leland	.09	.09	.09	.09	100
Annetta	.46	.46	.46	.46	5,000
Argentum	.19½	.19½	.19½	.19½	600
Can. Bull	.005	.007½	.004	.006⅝	542,000
C. C. Con.	.06⅝	.10	.07½	.10	27,000
Elkton	.87	.87	.73	.74	9,200
Gar. Gr.	.04	.04⅜	.03½	.03½	27,700
G. Magnet	.04	.05⅛	.03½	.03⅝	105,700
G. Fleece	.49	.53	.49	.49	200
Isabella	.29	.29½	.29	.29	2,700
Jefferson	.05	.05½	.03½	.03½	69,500
Justine	.005⅝	.01¼	.004⅜	.006⅝	475,000
Miami	.49	.49	.38⅜	.38⅜	11,500
M. Gibson	.19	.19	.19	.19	3,000
Mt. Rosa	.10⅜	.11	.10¼	.10¼	10,000
Old Gold	.006⅜	.006⅜	.006⅜	.006⅜	1,000
Pharmacist	.06½	.06½	.06¼	.06¼	5,000
Portland	.70	.71	.67	.67	8,800
Rocky Mt.	.13⅜	.15½	.13⅜	.14	13,800
Sentinel	.003½	.008	.008	.004⅜	271,000
Specimen	.03½	.04½	.03½	.03½	44,000
Tamarack	.007½	.009⅜	.007½	.009⅜	64,000
Union	.12	.13	.11½	.11½	22,000
Waldorf	.12	.13	.12	.13	5,000
Work	.05	.05	.04	.04½	28,400
Yukon	.06⅜	.11	.06	.11	4,000
Total sales					1,949,600

MONEY AND EXCHANGE.

Money on call, 1½@2 per cent.

Time money, 2½ per cent. for thirty to sixty days, 3 per cent. for ninety days to five months, 3½ per cent. for six months. Commercial paper rates, 3@3¼ per cent. for indorsed bills receivable, 3½@4½ per cent. for first-class single names, and 4½@5½ per cent. for good single names.

The Bank of England lost £200,256 bullion in the week ended Thursday last, and the percentage of reserve to liabilities, which in the previous week was 48.95, became 50.02 per cent. The Bank of England rate of discount was unchanged at 3 per cent. The Bank of France showed a gain in gold of 4,125,000f and a loss in silver of 250,000f.

Foreign exchange was quiet. Posted rates, $4.83½ for sixty days and $4.86½ for demand. Actual business was done on Saturday at $4.82½@$4.82¾ for sixty-day bills, $4.85⅝@$4.85⅞ for demand. $4.85¾ for cable transfers, and $4.82@$4.82½ for commercial.

In Continental, francs quoted at 5.21¾ for long and 5.20 for short; reichsmarks at 94⅝ and 95⅛, and guilders at 40 and 40 3-16.

New York exchange quoted as follows: Chicago—10c discount. Boston—5c premium. San Francisco—Sight, 10c premium; telegraphic, 12½c premium. Charleston—Buying, par; selling, ⅛c premium. New Orleans—Commercial, $1.25 discount; bank, par. Savannah—Buying, 1-16c discount; selling, par.

BULLION STATISTICS.

Silver bullion certificates were quoted on the Stock Exchange at 58½@59¼c.

Commercial price of bar silver, 58½c per ounce, and Mexican silver dollars at 46¾d.

Bar silver in London, 26⅞d per ounce.

The imports of gold since Jan. 1 have been $13,490,318, and the exports for the same period $29,816,711. The net exports, therefore, have been $16,317,396. The net imports for the same period in 1896 were $31,511,167, against net exports in 1895 of $56,812,144, in 1894 of $70,116,796, and in 1893 of $9,207,107.

THE BULLION MARKET.

The following is a comparison of the average of bullion in the principal European banks last week and at the corresponding date a year ago. These figures are received weekly by cable by The Commercial and Financial Chronicle:

Bank of England.

	Gold.	Silver.
Dec. 9, 1897	£32,177,114	.....
Dec. 10, 1896	35,688,012	.....

Bank of France.

Dec. 9, 1897	76,550,636	£48,377,940
Dec. 10, 1896	77,141,770	49,231,580

Bank of Germany.

Dec. 9, 1897	28,711,000	14,791,000
Dec. 10, 1896	28,280,000	14,496,000

Austria-Hungary.

Dec. 9, 1897	37,963,000	12,394,000
Dec. 10, 1896	30,630,000	12,588,000

Spain.

Dec. 9, 1897	9,255,000	11,050,000
Dec. 10, 1896	8,528,000	10,190,000

Netherlands.

Dec. 9, 1897	2,628,000	6,726,000
Dec. 10, 1896	2,634,000	6,789,000

Belgium.

Dec. 9, 1897	2,828,000	1,414,000
Dec. 10, 1896	2,775,333	1,387,667
Total for the week	£190,112,750	£94,782,940
Total preceding week	192,275,207	94,727,574
Corresponding week last	185,977,115	94,662,227

INACTIVE STOCKS.

The following table shows the highest and lowest prices of the year for inactive stocks dealt in on the New York Stock Exchange, together with the last recorded sales and the closing quotations on Monday:

Closing Bid.	Asked.	STOCKS.	Highest.		Lowest.		Last Sale.	
18	..	Albany & Sus.	*21½	Jan. 6	*18	Sept. 11	18	July 7
9	..	Atlan. & Terre Haute	20	May 27	9	Aug. 18	9	Oct. 8
..	..	Atl. Beat. Chic. Co.	*35½	July 31	*30½	July 31	*30½	Sept. 9
115	140	American Cot.	135	Sept. 14	135	Sept. 14	135	Sept. 14
22	30	Am. Glue Pref.	27	July 27	*28	Nov. 9	*28	Nov. 9
13	14	Am. Arms.	15¼	Aug. 13	9	Jan. 26	9	Nov. 9
104	107	Boston Air Line pf.	*103	Oct. 12	*103	March 22	105	July 16
20½	21	Buf., Roch. & Pitts.	30¾	Sept. 27	19	May 14	29½	Dec. 3
60	..	Bur., C. R. & Northern.	*70	Aug. 31	*60	April 23	70	March 18
..	..	Central Coal & Coke	30½	Oct. 13	20½	Oct. 13	30½	Oct. 13
..	..	Chicago & Alton pf.	170¾	Oct. 7	170¾	Oct. 7	170¾	Oct. 7
139	141	Chi. & Eastern Illinois	93	Sept. 1	81½	June 4	93	Nov. 24
98½	99	Chi. & East Ill. pf.	103	Sept. 14	98	Nov. 8	98½	Dec. 11
..	..	Chicago Stock Yards	*103¾	April 9	*103¾	May 21	*103¾	May 21
142	..	Cleveland & Pittsburg	142½	Sept. 15	*151	April 23	140	June 3
⅜	½	Col. Coal & I. Dev.	½	Aug. 7	⅜	July 2	⅜	Oct. 23
70	80	Colorado & Texas pf.	*80	May 13	*70	Nov. 12	*80	Nov. 15
175	..	Commercial Cable	*140¾	May 28	*132½	May 28	135½	May 28
20¾	..	Consolidated Coal	27½	May 20	18	Feb. 1	17½	May 20
11	13	Denver & Rio Grande	14¾	Aug. 14	8¼	April 23	11	Nov. 8
75	..	Den. M. & Ft. D. pf.	85	June 22	60	July 12	80	July 12
..	..	Detroit Gas	80	Nov. 9	55	Jan. 6	*55	Nov. 26
3¾	4	Dul., S. Shore & At.	4¾	Aug. 7	3	April 29	4½	Sept. 16
5¾	7½	Dul., S. Shore & At. pf.	10¾	Aug. 7	6¼	May 7	6¾	Nov. 5
..	..	Equitable Gas	260	July 30	*215½	May 6	260	July 30
123½	125	Edison El. Ill. of N. Y.	122½	Sept. 17	101¾	Jan. 2	125	Nov. 29
105	107	Edison El. Ill. of Brook.	115¾	Aug. 9	98½	March 2	110	Dec. 3
..	..	Erie Tel. & Tel.	76	Sept. 14	63¾	April 1	76	Oct. 14
23	28	Evans. & Terre Haute	34	Sept. 20	20	June 8	26	Nov. 8
43	45	Evans. & T. H. pf.	46	Sept. 21	37	April 23	42	Nov. 4
..	..	General Electric pf.	*75¾	Jan. 9	*75	March 22	75	March 22
..	..	Gold & Stock Tel.	107	July 14	107	July 14	107	July 14
..	..	Harlem	*224	May 28	223	Feb. 11	*215	Nov. 15
40	..	Homestake Mining	40	Nov. 6	35	March 8	40	Nov. 29
91	94	Ill. Cent. Leased line	97	Aug. 7	*93	Nov. 9	*93	Nov. 9
7	9	Kanawha & Mich.	9¾	Aug. 14	4	June 12	7½	Nov. 4
..	..	Keeley Motor	4½	March 9	4½	March 9	4½	March 9
2½	4	Keokuk & Des M.	4½	Aug. 12	2	Feb. 27	2½	Nov. 30
30	35	Keokuk & Western	36½	Oct. 8	33	Feb. 24	36½	Oct. 8
1	10	Kingston & Pembroke	2	Aug. 27	1	Aug. 30	1	Aug. 30
..	..	Manhattan Beach	7	June 5	4	Aug. 3	5	Oct. 18
6¼	7	Mexican Central	9¾	July 6	6	Oct. 28	6¾	Oct. 4
1½	1¾	Mexican Nat. certs.	2¾	Aug. 13	1	Nov 29	1	Nov. 29
..	..	Mich. Peninsular Car.	*14	Sept. 9	10	July 31	14	Sept. 9
..	..	Mich. Pen. Car pf.	61	Sept. 18	42	May 18	42	May 18
7	..	Minn., St. P. & S. S. M.	6	Dec. 2	6	Dec. 2	6	Dec. 2
12	..	M., St. P. & S. S. M. pf.	10	Dec. 2	10	Dec. 2	10	Dec. 2
65	83	National Starch 1st pf.	90	Sept. 20	81½	March 30	88	Oct. 7
16	28	National Starch 2d pf.	45	Aug. 30	8½	April 15	20	Dec. 2
7	8	New Central Coal	8½	Aug. 31	4½	May 28	6	Nov. 26
20	25	N. Y. Air Brake	31½	Aug. 27	24½	Oct. 23	24½	Oct. 23
..	..	N. Y. & N. J. Tel.	*124	Jan. 28	*124	Jan. 28	124	Jan. 28
..	..	N. Y. & E. River Gas.	97½	Sept. 2	60¼	June 3	80	Sept. 13
..	..	N. Y. & H. R. Gas pf.	*120	Aug. 21	*93	May 27	117¼	Sept. 10
..	..	N. Y. Mutual Gas	*230	Nov. 18	*230	Aug. 30	*250	Nov. 13
..	..	Omaha & St. Louis	*95½	Nov. 24	*95½	Nov. 24	*95½	Nov. 24
..	..	Panama	*95	Sept. 22	*90	Sept. 22	95	Sept. 22
340	370	Pennsylvania Coal	*340	March 24	*340	March 24	340	March 24
4	7	Peoria & Eastern	5¾	Aug. 30	5	April 23	7½	Sept. 13
..	..	Pierre Lorillard pf.	*115	Sept. 29	*115	Sept. 29	115	Sept. 29
170	..	P., Fort W. & Chicago	*172½	Aug. 10	*150	May 11	172½	Aug. 10
4	8	Quicksilver pf.	12	Aug. 16	8	April 14	10	Sept. 24
182	186	Rensselaer & Saratoga	185	Jan. 26	*175	Oct. 9	182	Nov. 16
22	25	Rio Grande Western	25½	Sept. 10	14¾	June 26	23½	Aug. 14
19	21	St. Paul & Duluth	30	Sept. 10	20	Jan. 4	20	Dec. 1
80	83	St. Paul & Duluth pf.	87¼	Oct. 4	75	April 29	82	Dec. 4
190	200	Sixth Avenue	*195	July 19	*188	July 15	195	July 19
..	..	Standard Gas pf.	*151	Sept. 9	*102	Jan. 6	*148	Nov. 6
..	..	Tenn. Coal & Iron pf.	*80	July 30	*65	April 9	80	July 30
..	..	Texas Central	20	July 13	10	July 13	20	July 13
..	..	Texas Central pf.	*40½	Feb. 5	*40½	Feb. 5	40½	Feb. 5
..	..	Texas Pac. Land Tr.	9	Aug. 12	6	April 7	8¼	Aug. 12
146	148	Third Avenue	161	March 15	148	May 21	148	Dec. 3
..	..	Tol. & Ohio Central	28½	Oct. 1	20	Sept. 3	25	Oct. 4
..	..	Union Ferry	*64	July 13	*62½	May 5	64	July 13
..	..	U. N. J. R. R. & Can.	*215¾	March 15	*215¾	March 15	215¾	March 15
..	..	Utica & Black River	165	Oct. 20	165	Oct. 20	165	Oct. 20
..	..	Warren Railroad	167	Aug. 9	166	Aug. 24	166	Aug. 24
..	3	W. & Lake Erie	6½	Jan. 2	½	June 1	1½	Dec. 3
10	12	W. & Lake Erie pf.	29	Jan. 5	8¾	April 15	11¾	Dec. 3
..	..	Western Gas	85½	Aug. 18	68	June 7	84	Oct. 12
..	..	Wisconsin Central	4¾	Aug. 12	1	June 3	1¼	Nov. 12
..	..	Wisconsin Central pf.	5	Sept. 11	1¾	April 10	6¾	Sept. 20

UNITED STATES TREASURY STATEMENT, DEC. 11, 1897.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 11.—Following is a statement of the condition of the United States Treasury and the receipts and expenditures of the Government on the 11th day of December, 1897:

CASH IN THE TREASURY.

Gold coin	$152,534,402.82		
Gold bullion	42,830,498.45		
		$195,364,901.27	
Outstanding gold certificates	38,191,149.00		
Less gold certificates in Treasury	1,546,460.00		
		36,644,689.00	
			*$158,720,212.27
Standard silver dollars	388,173,708.00		
Silver bullion	912,179.57		
		389,085,887.57	
Outstanding silver certificates	386,160,504.00		
Less silver certificates in Treasury	12,556,674.00		
		373,603,830.00	
			15,482,057.57
Standard silver dollars of 1890	5,190,127.00		
Silver bullion of 1890, (cost)	102,021,153.25		
		107,211,280.25	
Less outstanding Treasury notes		107,211,280.00	
			.25
United States notes		87,797,484.00	
Outstanding currency certificates	51,320,000.00		
Less currency certificates in Treasury	1,125,000.00		
		50,195,000.00	
			37,602,484.00
Treasury notes of 1890	2,831,924.00		
National bank notes	5,239,713.34		
Fractional silver coin	10,887,733.50		
Fractional currency	160.96		
Minor coin	1,072,805.42		
Deposits in National banks	46,752,135.48		
Bonds and interest paid	255,762.85		
		67,040,235.55	
Less National bank 5 per cent. fund	8,027,090.91		
Outstanding checks and drafts	6,177,831.12		
Disbursing officers' balances	31,221,117.42		
Post Office Department account	3,687,899.01		
Miscellaneous items	1,796,930.61		
		50,910,869.07	
			16,129,366.48
Available cash balance, including gold reserve			227,894,120.57

RECEIPTS.	This Day.	This Month.	This Fiscal Yr.
Customs	446,106.79	4,879,174.42	55,543,406.59
Internal revenue	701,464.02	5,730,271.83	76,885,546.45
Miscellaneous	20,228.48	15,413,171.98	41,207,540.89
Total receipts	1,167,799.29	25,522,618.23	173,636,493.93
EXPENDITURES.			
Civil and miscellaneous	375,000.00	3,058,000.00	51,375,146.10
War	270,000.00	1,780,000.00	33,063,317.18
Navy	110,000.00	1,143,000.00	15,324,106.54
Indians	12,000.00	326,000.00	4,633,570.80
Pensions	300,000.00	6,650,000.00	70,927,991.51
Interest	.....	100,000.00	18,302,987.50
Total expenditures	1,067,000.00	13,057,000.00	193,627,119.63
Excess of receipts over expenditures	100,799.29	12,465,618.23	†19,990,625.70
NATIONAL BANK FUND.			
Deposits under act July 14, 1890	.....	1,127,540.00	9,099,722.50
Redemptions under act July 14, 1890	97,145.00	542,033.50	5,372,028.50

REDEMPTION OF NOTES.	U. S. Notes. (Since 1879.)	Treas. Notes. (Since 1890.)	Total.
To date	500,951,921.00	91,057,589.00	601,009,510.00
This fiscal year	15,444,893.00	1,161,788.00	16,606,681.00
This month	749,357.00	62,955.00	812,312.00
This day	195,022.00	12,160.00	207,182.00

*Net gold and bullion, including $100,000,000 reserved for redemption of United States notes, Section 12, act July 12, 1882.
†Excess of expenditures over receipts.

THE EFFECT OF A TRUST.

The agitation regarding the formation of a huge corporation to control the output of wire rods, wire nails, and similar products has stiffened up the prevailing quotations on the lines of goods naturally affected. Without expressing any expert opinion as to the advisability, from the dealer's standpoint, of the making of so many trusts in connection with the hardware business, the general effect of the formation of the one now under consideration has been to lessen the weakness in prices in those lines of manufacture that are in harmony with the wire-producing interests.—Hardware.

Bond Transactions New York Stock Exchange Week Ending Dec. 11, 1897.

BONDS.

Sales Week Ending Dec. 11, $20,354,500

BONDS.	Week ending Dec. 11, 1897. First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.
Alabama Midland 1st	90	90	90	90	6
American Dock & Improvement 5s	116¼	116¼	116¼	116¼	2
American Spirits Mfg. 6s	74	75	74	75	8
American Tobacco scrip	78	80½	78	80½	48
Ann Arbor 1st	83	83¾	82¾	83	151
Atlantic & Danville 1st	97¼	97¼	97¼	97¼	5
Atchison, Topeka & S. F. general 4s	89⅞	89⅞	89⅝	89½	1,282½
Atchison, T. & S. F. adjustment 4s	56⅝	58⅜	56⅝	58	1,448½
Austin & Northwestern 1st	86	89½	86	89½	56
Baltimore & Ohio 1st, Parkersburg Branch	109	109	109	109	20
Broadway & Seventh Avenue con. 5s	120	120	120	120	6
Brooklyn Elevated 1st, trust receipts	81¼	82½	81¼	82	74
Brooklyn Rapid Transit 5s	90½	92⅜	90	92	183
Brooklyn Wharf & Warehouse 5s	98½	99¼	98¼	90¼	59
Brooklyn Union Gas 5s	111½	112⅝	111½	112⅝	86
Brooklyn Water Loan 6s	105¾	105¾	105¾	105¾	5
Bur., Cedar Rapids & North. coll. trust 5s	106	106¾	106	106¾	12
Canada Southern 1st	113	114	113	113¼	21
Cedar Rapids, Iowa Falls & N. W. 6s	106	106	106	108	5
Central of Georgia 1st income	38¾	40	38¾	40	11
Central of Georgia 2d income	13¾	13¾	13¾	13¾	2
Central of Georgia consol. 5s	91½	91½	91½	91½	13
Central of Georgia 1st 5s	118	118¾	118	118⅝	8
Central of New Jersey 1st consols, 1899	105¾	105¾	105¾	105¾	5
Central of New Jersey general 5s	113	113	112¼	112¼	47
Central of New Jersey general 5s, reg	111	111½	110	110	9½
Central Pacific 6s of 1898	102⅝	102⅞	102⅝	102⅝	1
Central Pacific ext. 5s	102	102	102	102	2
Central Pacific 1st, Cal. & Oregon Div	101½	101½	101½	101½	5
Cen. R. R. & Banking Co. Ga. coll. tr. 5s	90	90	90	90	1
Chesapeake & Ohio general 4½s	80¾	81¼	80⅝	81	193
Chesapeake & Ohio con. 5s	112½	112½	112	112½	20
Chesapeake & Ohio con. 5s, registered	111	111½	111	111½	8½
C. & O., Rich. & Alle. 1st con. 4s	105¾	106¼	105¾	106¼	28
C. & O., Rich. & Alle. 2d con. 4s	94½	95	94⅝	95	10
Chicago & Alton sinking fund	112	112	112	112	1
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy cv. 5s	110	110¼	110	110	12
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy deb. 5s	106	106⅝	106	106	72
Chicago, Burlington & Qy., Denver Div. 4s	100	100	99½	100	13
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy, Neb. 4s	96½	97½	96½	96¾	77
Chicago, Burlington & Quincy 5s	118¾	119¼	118¾	118¾	15
Chicago, Burlington & Qy. sinking fund 5s	103¾	103¾	103¾	103¾	1
Chicago, Burlington & Northern 5s	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛	107⅛	25
Chicago & East Illinois general 5s	102	102	101½	102	23
Chicago & Erie 1st	110¾	110¾	110¼	110¾	26
Chicago, Indianapolis & Louisville ref. 6s	96	97	96	97	9
Chicago Gaslight & Coke 1st	105¾	106¾	105¾	105¾	7
Chi., St. Paul, Minn. & Omaha consol	135½	135½	135½	135½	6
Chicago Terminal Transfer, tr. receipts	44	45¾	44	45½	298
C., C., C., & St. L., Cairo Div. 1st	89¾	90	89¾	90	60
Cleveland, Cin., Chi. & St. L. 1st, St. L. Div.	94¾	94⅞	94½	94¾	15
Cleveland & Canton 1st, tr. r	68	68	68	68	1
Colorado Midland 1st, tr. r	64	64	62¾	62¾	132
Columbia & Greenville 1st	116½	116½	116½	116½	4
Columbus, H. V. & Toledo 5s, t. r., $45 pd	74¾	75	74¾	75	25
Columbus & Ninth Avenue 5s	119½	119½	119½	119½	27
Consumers' Gas, Chicago, 1st 5s	101	101	101	101	10
Dallas & Waco 1st	80	80	79¾	79¾	5
Denver & Rio Grande 1st	108½	108½	108½	108½	4
Denver & Rio Grande 4s	89¾	90⅝	89¾	90⅛	40
Detroit Gas Co. 5s	97	97	97	97	5
Detroit, Mack. & Mar. land grant	17⅞	18	17⅞	17⅞	20
Des Moines & Fort Dodge 2½s	68½	68½	68½	68½	5
Des Moines Union 1st	96½	96½	96½	96½	10
Duluth & Iron Range 1st	104	105	104	105	8
Duluth, South Shore & Atlantic 5s	106	106	106	106	5
East Tennessee, Virginia & Georgia con. 5s	110	110½	110	110¼	21
Elizabeth, Lexington & Big Sandy 1st 5s	101¼	101¼	101¼	101¼	2
Edison Electric Ill. of N. Y. 1st 5s	111¾	111¾	111¾	111¾	7
Erie 1st consolidated 7s	145	145	145	145	5
Erie general lien	71⅜	71⅞	71⅜	71½	42
Erie prior lien	92¼	92¾	92¼	92¾	302
Erie 1st extension 5s	112	112	112	112	10
Evansville & Terre Haute, gen. 6s	76	76	76	76	10
Flint & Père Marquette 5s	88	88	88	88	1
Flint & Père Marquette 6s	112	114¼	112	113	100
Flint & P. M., Port Huron Div. 6s	78	78	78	78	3
Fort Worth & Denver City 1st	68	69	68	69	14
Fort Worth & Rio Grande 1st	58	58¼	58	58	63
Fulton Elevated 1st	96	96	96	96	5
Galveston, H. & Harrisburg 5s	89	89¾	89¾	88¾	80
Gal., Harrisburg & San. A., Mex. & Pac. 1st	91½	92	91½	92	30
Green Bay & Western deb. B	4½	4½	4½	4½	5
Hannibal & St. Joseph consol	121¾	121¾	121¾	121¾	1
Houston & Texas 1st 5s	112½	112½	112	112½	16
Houston & Texas general 4s	79¾	79¾	79½	79½	30
International & Great Northern 1st	118½	120	118½	120	18
International & Great Northern 2d	84½	85	84½	85	11
International & Great Northern 3d	44	44	44	44	10
Iowa Central 1st	98	98¼	98	98¼	22
Iron Mountain general 5s	87	89	87	89	462
Iron Mountain 1st, Ark. Branch, ext. 5s	106	106	106	106	5
Kansas City, Pittsburg & Gulf 1st	82¼	82½	81¼	81½	316
Kanawha & Michigan 4s	70	70	70	70	3
Kansas Pacific cn., tr. rects	90¼	90⅝	84½	85½	197
Kansas & Texas 1st g. 4s	86⅞	87½	86⅝	86⅝	158½
Kansas & Texas 2d g. 4s	62⅝	64½	62⅝	64½	268
Kansas & Texas of Texas 5s	82½	82½	82½	82½	6
Kentucky Central 4s	87½	87½	87½	87½	1
Knoxville & Ohio 1st	116	116	116	116	1
Lake Erie & Western 1st	117¾	117¾	117¾	117¾	1
Lake Erie & Western 2d	102	102¾	102	102¾	13
Laclede Gas of St. Louis 1st	103	103½	102¾	103	21
Lake Shore 3½s	104	104½	104	104¼	24
Lake Shore 2d registered	119	119	119	119	100
Lake Shore 1st consol. coupon	111½	111¾	111¼	111¼	1
Lehigh & Wilkesbarre consol., assented	99¾	99¾	99¾	99¾	1
Lexington Avenue & Pavonia Ferry 1st	119	120	119	120	46
Long Island Ferry 4½s	90	90	90	90	10
Long Island consol. 5s	116	116	116	116	5
Long Island gen. 4s	84	84	84	84	10
Louisville & Nashville gen. 6s	116¼	116¼	116⅝	116¼	1
Louisville & Nashville cons.	102¼	102½	102¼	102⅝	21
Louisville & Nashville unified g. 4s	86¼	87½	86¼	87½	254
Louisville & Nashville coll. trust 5s	101	101	101	101	6
Louis. & Nash., Evans. Hend. & Nash. 1st	113	113	113	113	1
Louis. & Nash., Nash. Flor. & Shef. 1st	88½	88½	88½	88¼	25
Louis. & Nash., Pensacola & Atlantic 1st	108	108	108	108	5
Louisville & Nashville 6s	99¾	99¾	99¾	99¾	5
Louisville, New Albany & Chicago 1st	114	114	114	114	5
Mahoning Coal 5s	126	126	126	126	4
Manhattan Con. 4s	94½	96	94½	96	199
Metropolitan Street Railway 5s	112¾	113½	112¾	113¼	365
Michigan Central 5s, 1931	126	127½	126	127½	15
Michigan Central 5s, 1931 reg	121	121	121	121	65
Michigan Central consol. 7s	114½	114¾	114½	114¾	4
Metropolitan Elevated 1st	120	120¼	120	120¼	5
Michigan Central 6s, 1909	120	120	120	120	5
Milwaukee & Northern 1st, 1913 consol	122	122	122	122	1
Milwaukee & Northern 1st, 1910, main line	121½	121½	121½	121¼	2
Mil., Lake Shore & Western 1st	136½	136½	136½	136½	2
Milwaukee, Lake Shore & West. ext. 5s	118	118	118	118	3
Minneapolis & St. Louis con. 5s	106½	106½	106¼	106¼	14
Missouri, Kansas & Eastern 1st	94	94¾	94	94¾	6
Missouri Pacific cn.	91⅞	96	91⅝	96	357
Missouri Pacific col. gold 5s	65	71¾	65	70	182
Missouri Pacific 3d	106½	107	106½	107	7
Missouri Pacific trust 5s	70¼	71½	70¼	71½	9
Mobile & Ohio 1st ext. 6s	119	119	119	119	1
Mobile & Ohio new 6s	120	121½	120	121¼	27
Mobile & Ohio gen. 4s	73¾	78¼	73¾	76½	250½
Morris & Essex 7s, 1871	119	119	119	119	1
New York Central 1st coupon	119¼	119½	119¼	119¼	11
New York, Chicago & St. Louis 1st	107	107	106½	106¾	21
New York & Harlem 1st reg	107¾	107¾	107¾	107¾	7
New York, Lackawanna & Western 1st	141	141	141	141	1
New York, Ontario & Western rfdg. 4s	96¼	97	96¼	96¾	46
New York, Ontario & Western con. 5s	107	107½	107	107½	9
N. Y., N. H. & Hartford 4s, deb. ctfs	140¼	141	141¼	141	12
New York, Susquehanna & West. rfdg. 5s	106	106	106	106	4
New York, Susquehanna & Western genl	86	86½	86	86¾	32
Norfolk & Western con. 4s	77½	77¾	77½	77¾	214
Norfolk & Western, New River, 1st	120¾	120¾	120¾	120¾	16
Northern Ohio 1st	99	99	99	99	10
Northern Pacific 1st coup	119	119	119	119	2
Northern Pacific 1st reg	119½	119½	119½	119¼	20
Northern Pacific general lien	59¾	61¾	59¾	60¾	1,449½
Northern Pacific prior lien	93	94¾	93	94¾	1,067
Northern Pacific Term. 1st	107	107	106¼	106¾	6
Northern Railway of California 6s	97¼	98¼	97¼	98¼	47
Northwest 25-year deb. 5s	103½	103½	103½	103½	10
Northwest extended 4s	105¾	106¼	106¼	106¼	1
Northwest sinking fund 5s	111	111	111	111	3
Northwest 50-year debenture 5s	115	115	115	115	3
Northwest gold 7s, registered	115¼	115¾	115¼	115¾	3
Northwest gold 7s, coupon	115¼	116¾	115¾	115¾	2
Ohio & Mississippi 1st, Springfield Div	102	105¾	102	105¾	40
Ohio & Mississippi Consol	105	105	105	105	10
Omaha & St. Louis 1st	85¼	86	85	85	12
Oregon Improvement con. 5s, 3d inst. pd	43¾	43¾	43¾	43¾	30
Oregon Improvement 1st, trust receipts	100	101¼	99¾	101¼	38
Oregon Short Line 6s	123¼	124	123½	123½	18
Oregon Short Line con. 5s	97¾	98¼	97¼	98¼	27
Oregon Short Line inc. A 5s	87½	89¼	88	88	111
Oregon Short Line inc. B & Cal. Trust	89	89¼	89	89¼	23
Oregon Railway & Navigation 4s	93¾	93¾	93¾	93¾	25
Oregon Railway & Navigation 1st	115½	116	115½	116	16
Pacific of Missouri 1st 6s	102¾	102¾	102¾	102¾	2
Pacific of Missouri 2d 6s	100	100	100	100	8

BONDS.	Week ending Dec. 11, 1897. First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.
Pennsylvania Co. gtd. 4½s	115½	115¾	115½	115¾	25
Pennsylvania Co. gtd. 4½s registered	114	114¾	114	114	55
Peoria & Eastern 1st	76	76	76	76	8
People's Gaslight & Coke of Chi. 1st con. 6s	114	114	114	114	2
Peo., Dec. & Evv. 1st, Evansville Div	101	101	101	101	3
Pittsburg, Cin., Chic. & St. L. 4½s, Series B	111½	111½	111¼	111½	16
Pittsburg, Shenango & Lake Erie 1st	106	106	105¾	105¾	5
Pittsburg & Western 1st	76¾	77¾	76¾	77½	36
Reading general 4s	85⅜	85⅜	85	85¼	456
Richmond & Danville 6s	124½	124½	124¼	124¼	6
Rio Grande Western 1st	82¾	83¼	82¾	83¼	151
Rock Island 5s	107¼	107⅝	107¼	107⅝	130
Rock Island 5s registered	107¼	107⅝	107¼	107⅝	135
Rock Island debenture 5s	106⅞	106⅞	106⅞	106⅞	139
St. Jo. & Grand Island 1st	70	70½	70	70½	11
St. Louis & San Francisco con. 4s	74½	75½	74¼	75½	178
St. Louis & San Francisco gen. 5s	104½	104¾	104¼	104⅝	208
St. Louis & San Francisco 2d, Class B	114½	114½	114½	114½	1
St. Louis & San Francisco 2d, Class C	114⅝	114⅝	114⅝	114⅝	11
St. Louis & San Fancisco gen. 6s	118½	119	118½	118¾	87
St. Louis & San Francisco trust 5s	95	95	95	95	10
St. Louis Southwestern 1st	72¾	74	72¾	73½	70
St. Paul gold 7s	141	141	141	141	6
St. Paul 1st 8s	103¼	103¼	103¼	103¼	5
St. Paul gen. 4s, Series A	105½	106	105½	106	9
St. Paul 1st, Chi. & Lake Sup. Div	115¾	115¾	115¾	115¾	1
St. Paul 1st, South. Minn. Div	119¾	120½	119¾	120	12
St. Paul 1st, Chi. & Mo. River Div	114⅞	114⅞	114⅞	114⅞	8
St. Paul, Chicago Pacific Western 5s	117½	117⅝	117½	117⅝	17
St. Paul 1st, Iowa & Dakota ext	142	142	142	142	6
St. Paul 1st, Southwest Division	120	120	120	120	1
St. Paul, Chicago & Pacific 6s	122½	122½	122½	122½	2
St. Paul Terminal 5s	115⅞	115⅞	115	115	7
St. Paul, M. & Man. con. 6s, reduced to 4½s	107⅝	108	107⅝	108	8
St. Paul, Min. & Man., Mon. Ext. 4s	93	93	93	93	1
St. Paul, Minn. & Man. consol. 6s	130	130	130	130	1
St. Paul, Minn. & Man., Dakota Ext	121	121	121	121	3
St. Paul, Minn. & Manitoba 2d	122	122¼	121½	121½	37
St. Paul & Northern Pacific 6s	128	128	128	128	3
St. Paul & Duluth 2d	105½	105½	105½	105½	2
San Antonio & Aransas Pass 4s	61¾	61¾	60	60½	84
Seaside & Brooklyn Bridge 1st t. r	70	73	70	73	10
Scioto Valley & New England 4s	83	83	83	83	27
Southern Pacific of Arizona 1st	104	104	104	104	3
Southern Pacific of California consol. 5s	93¼	94	92½	92½	31
South Carolina & Georgia 1st	95	95¼	95	95¼	50
Southern Pacific of New Mexico 1st	108¼	108¼	108¼	108¼	30
Southern Railway 5s	93¼	94½	93	94⅜	598
Standard Rope & Twine 6s	60	60	59	59⅜	18
Texas & New Orleans con. 5s	98	98¼	98	98½	93
Third Avenue 5s	123⅜	123⅜	123⅜	123⅜	3
Texas Pacific 1st 5s	97¼	98	97½	98	126
Texas Pacific 2d inc	30	31	29⅝	30⅛	1,040
Toledo, St. L. & K. C. 1st, trust receipts	88	89½	88	89	63
Toledo & Ohio Central 1st	105	106	105	106	12
Union Elevated 1st, tr. rects	79	82	79	82	91
Union Pacific ext. sink. fund 8s, tr	112½	114	112	112	58
Union Pacific 1st, 1896	102½	102¾	102½	102¾	2
Union Pacific 1st, 1896, ex mat. coupon	114⅛	114⅝	114⅛	114⅛	10
Union Pacific 1st, 1897	102⅜	102⅝	102⅜	102⅝	2
Union Pacific 1st, 1898	102⅜	102⅝	102⅜	102⅝	10
Union Pacific 1st, 1898, ex mat. coup	114½	114½	114½	114½	10
Union Pacific 1st, 1899	102⅜	102⅝	102⅜	102⅝	2
Union P. 6s, col. tr. notes, 62½ p. c. prin. p.	43¼	44	43	43	197
Union Pacific purchase money ctfs	110⅝	111¼	110	110	393
Union Pacific, Den. & G. 1st, tr. rects	50¼	52	50½	51⅝	133
United States Leather 6s	115	115	115	115	10
Virginia Midland general	103	103	103	103	6
Wabash 1st 5s	106¼	107¾	106¼	107¾	163
Wabash 2d 5s	79¾	81½	79¾	81	499
Wabash 1st, Detroit & Chicago Ext	99½	100¾	99½	100¼	31
Wabash debenture, B	27½	28¾	27½	28	35
West Shore 4s, c	111¾	111¾	111¾	111½	86
West Shore 4s, r	111¼	111¼	111	111	15
Western New York & Pennsylvania 1st	108½	108½	108½	108½	2
West. New York & Penn. gen. mtge	46½	47	46½	47	23
Western Union collateral trust 5s	109½	109½	109½	109½	1
Western Union deb. 7s, 1875, registered	105	105	105	105	1
Western Pacific bonds	104	104	104	104	48
Wisconsin Central 1st, trust receipts	34	34⅞	34	34⅞	22
Total sales					$20,173,500

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

United States 4s, 1925, registered	129	129	129	129	5
United States 4s, 1925, coupon	128¾	129	128¾	129	27
United States 4s, 1907, registered	112¾	113⅜	112¾	112¼	7
United States 5s, coupon	114½	115	114½	115	28
Total sales					$65,000

STATE BONDS.

Tennessee Settlement 3s	90¼	91½	90¼	91½	101
Tennessee Settlement 3s, small	90	90	90	90	1
Virginia funded debt 2-3s of 1991	68⅝	68½	68⅝	68½	14
Total sales					$116,000
Grand total					$20,354,500

*In $100.

GOVERNMENT BONDS.

HIGHEST, LOWEST, AND LAST PRICES, YEAR 1897.

	Highest.	Date.	Lowest.	Date.	Last sale.	Date.
United States 2s registered	98½	Aug. 12	94¼	Sept. 10	98¼	Sept. 10
United States 4s, 1907, registered	113⅞	Nov. 16	110⅜	June 3	112⅜	Dec. 6
United States 4s, 1907, coupon	114⅛	Nov. 22	111⅜	Jan. 12	114⅛	Nov 22
United States 4s, 1925, registered	129	Dec. 8	120¼	Jan. 5	129	Dec. 8
United States 4s, 1925, coupon	129	Dec. 9	120¼	Jan. 5	129	Dec. 10
United States 5s, 1904, registered	115	Nov. 3	113	May 11	113¼	Nov. 24
United States 5s, 1904, coupon	115⅞	Oct. 22	113	May 4	115	Dec. 10
United States currency 6s, 1898	103½	Feb. 16	100⅜	Dec. 1	99⅞	Dec. 1
United States currency 6s, 1899	107⅝	April 7	106½	Feb. 16	107⅝	April 7

STATE BONDS.

HIGHEST, LOWEST, AND LAST PRICES, YEAR 1897.

	Highest.	Date.	Lowest.	Date.	Last sale.	Date.
Alabama, Class A	103½	Sept. 17	103½	July 12	103¼	Nov. 20
Alabama, Class A, (small)	107⅝	Oct. 9	107⅜	Oct. 9	107⅜	Oct. 9
Alabama, Class B	107½	June 22	104¾	July 22	104¾	July 22
Alabama, Class C	100	April 1	98½	Feb. 23	99	Sept. 27
Louisiana consolidated 4s	100¼	Nov. 17	95½	April 21	100	Nov. 18
North Carolina consolidated 4s	105½	June 16	103½	July 21	103½	July 21
North Carolina con. 4s, (small)	100	Oct. 4	100	Oct. 4	100	Oct. 4
Tennessee settlement 3s	91¼	Dec. 10	76	April 6	91¼	Dec. 10
Tennessee settlement 3s, small	90	Nov. 30	72	Feb. 18	90	Dec. 6
Virginia funded debt	68½	Dec. 2	61	Jan. 5	68½	Dec. 10
Virginia deferred 6s	5	April 1	5	April 1	5	April 1
Virginia deferred 6s, trust receipts	6	March 1	3½	June 22	3½	June 22

BANK STOCKS.

HIGHEST, LOWEST, AND LAST PRICES, YEAR 1897.

	Highest.		Lowest.		Last Sale.	
America	350	Nov. 11	335	April 20	350	Nov. 11
American Exchange	174½	Sept. 24	168	June 22	171	Nov. 19
Broadway	242	Nov. 19	235	Oct. 16	242	Nov. 19
Butchers & Drovers'	98	Nov. 27	90	Nov. 27	98	Nov. 27
Central National	165	May 17	150	Jan. 9	162	Nov. 23
Chatham	208	Nov. 19	200	July 27	208	Nov. 19
Chemical	4300	Feb. 3	4300	Feb. 3	4300	Feb. 3
Citizens'	132	Nov. 19	132	Nov. 19	132	Nov. 19
Columbia	175	Jan. 11	170	May 10	170	May 10
Commerce	210	Oct. 7	208	Jan. 12	209	Dec. 7
Continental	135	July 12	131	Sept. 22	131	Nov. 13
Corn Exchange	205	Nov. 13	200	Feb. 13	205	Nov. 18
East River	140	Nov. 26	140	Nov. 26	140	Nov. 26
Fourth National	195	Nov. 17	173½	Aug. 24	195	Nov. 30
Gallatin	310	Aug. 19	310	Aug. 19	310	Aug. 19
German-American	112	Nov. 11	112	Nov. 11	112	Nov. 11
Importers and Traders'	535	March 25	531	Jan. 29	535	March 23
Manhattan	230	Nov. 13	220	July 15	230	Nov. 13
Market & Fulton	230	Dec. 8	215	July 12	230	Dec. 8
Mechanics'	195	Nov. 19	185½	Feb. 17	195	Nov. 19
Merchants'	149	Oct. 21	147	Nov. 17	147	Nov. 17
Metropolis	475	April 21	442½	April 19	475	April 21
Mount Morris	240	Nov. 15	232½	March 15	240	Dec. 6
New York	300	March 23	300	March 23	300	March 23
New York County	100	June 3	92	Dec. 8	92	Dec. 8
Ninth National	137½	Sept. 23	132	Jan. 21	136	Nov. 4
North America	263	Sept. 10	253½	Aug. 4	262	Sept. 10
Park	107¼	May 14	107½	May 14	107¼	May 14
Phenix	160	June 19	150	Feb. 16	159	Aug. 17
Republic	170	July 19	170	July 19	170	July 19
Seaboard	96	Nov. 16	90	April 5	96	Nov. 16
Shoe and Leather	115	March 3	114	Dec. 2	114	Dec. 2
State of New York	85	May 14	85	May 14	85	March 14
Third National	102	Oct. 11	98½	Feb. 3	102	Dec. 7
Tradesmen's	220	Oct. 7	220	Oct. 7	220	Oct. 7
West Side	120	Oct. 19	114	Feb. 3	121	Oct. 19
Western National						

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	Range for Year 1897. Highest.		Lowest.		Last Sale.		Bid.	Ask'd
N., F. & S. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1937	88½	Dec 10	82½	J'ly 29	88½	Dec 10	89	..
South & North A. con. gtd. g. 5s, 1936	94½	Jan 19	91	Feb 20	93	Dec 8	93½	..
Kentucky Central g. 4s, 1975	90	Jan 20	85	Feb 2	87½	Dec 9	87½	89
Louis. Railway Co. 1st con. g. 5s, 1930	..	....	..	....	104	Ja20'96	..	..
L. & N. L., C. & Lex. g. 4½s, 1931	..	....	..	....	100⅝	Sept'96	..	..
Manhattan R'way con. g. 4s, 1990	97⅜	Aug 11	91¼	Apr 6	96	Dec 10	95⅝	96
Memphis & Charleston g. 6s, 1924	..	....	..	....	58	Jan 26	..	..
Metropolitan Elevated 1st g. 6s, 1908	121	J'ne 25	116⅜	Jan 6	120¼	Dec 10	120½	121
Do., 2d 6s, 1899	107⅝	Apr 28	104¼	June 4	103½	Dec 3	103⅝	104
Metropo'n St. Ry. gen. cl. t. g. 5s, 1997	113½	Dec 10	109¼	Oct 30	113⅝	Dec 10	112⅝	113¼
B'way & 7th Av. 1st con. g. 5s, 1943	120⅝	Aug 20	116¼	Jan 5	120	Dec 11	119⅝	120¼
Col. & 9th Av. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1993	120	J'ne 15	115¾	Mar 1	119¼	Dec 8	..	..
Lex. Av. & Pav. F. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1993	120	J'ly 15	115¼	Mar 5	120	Dec 10	119	120
Mexican Central con. g. 4s, 1911	68⅛	Jan 22	66	Aug 18	68	Aug 14	..	..
Do., 1st con. income g. 3s, 1939	..	....	..	....	39	Apr '90	..	..
Do., 2d con. income g. 3s, 1939	..	....	..	....	11⅛	S16.'96	..	..
Mexican International 1st g. 4s, 1942	73	Jan 22	60	Mar 3	60	Mar 10	..	..
Mexican National 1st g. 6s, 1927	..	....	..	....	90	Mar'96	..	..
Do., 2d income g. 6s A, 1917	..	....	..	....	42⅜	N13'96	..	..
Do., 2d income g. 6s B, 1917	13	July 9	9	May 28	12	July 9	..	..
Mexican Northern 1st g. 6s, 1910	100	Jan 30	95	Jan 13	100	Jan 30	..	..
Michigan Central 1st con 7s, 1902	119	Apr 28	114	Nov 24	114⅜	Dec 9	114⅜	..
Do., 1st con 5s, 1902	108	Mar 8	105½	June 9	105⅝	Nov 30	106	107
Do., 6s, 1909	120	Dec 10	120	Dec 10	120	Dec 10	121½	123
Do., 5s, 1931	127½	Dec 11	120	July 15	127⅛	Dec 11	127¼	128
Do., do., registered	121	Dec 6	121	Dec 6	121	Dec 6	125	..
Do., 4s, 1940	105½	June 4	105½	June 4	105½	June 4	109	..
Minneapolis & St. Louis 1st g. 7s, 1927	143	July 22	137½	Jan 20	143	July 22	140	..
Do., 1st con. g. 5s, 1934	107¼	Oct 25	100	Jan 2	106½	Dec 11	106¼	106½
Do., Iowa ext. 1st g. 7s, 1909	127	Nov 22	123⅜	Apr 28	127	Nov 22	..	..
Do., Southwestern ext. 1st g. 7s, 1910	..	....	..	....	120	M'y'96	..	..
Do., Pacific ext. 1st g. 6s, 1921	121⅜	Mar 8	120	Jan 9	121¼	Aug 31	122	126
Mo., K. & T. 1st g. 4s, 1990	88¾	Nov 29	82	June 4	86⅝	Dec 11	86¼	87
Do., 2d g. 4s, 1990	65⅝	Sep. 16	54⅜	May 7	64½	Dec 11	..	64¼
Do., 1st exten. 5s, 1944	85	Oct 9	79½	Nov 10	82	Dec 3	..	..
Mo., K. & T. of T. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1942	98¾	July 29	74	Jan 8	82⅝	Dec 8	..	..
Kansas City & Pacific 1st g. 4s, 1990	71½	Apr 6	63½	Feb 3	67	Dec 2	67	72
Tobo & Neosho 1st 7s	..	....	..	....	..	....	100	..
Dallas & Waco 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1940	83	Sept 4	72¾	May 19	80	Nov 23	..	..
Mo., K. & Eastern 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1942	100	Sept 1	88½	May 26	94⅜	Dec 11	94	94¾
Missouri Pacific 1st con. g. 6s, 1920	98½	Sept 8	86	May 22	96	Dec 11	95	96
Do., 3d 7s, 1906	110	Sept 8	98	Mar 23	107	Dec 11	107	110
Do., trust g. 5s, 1917	71½	Dec 10	70¼	Dec 9	71⅛	Dec 10	..	..
Do., 1st collateral g. 5s, 1920	74½	Sept 7	40	May 4	70	Dec 11	..	..
Pacific R. of Mo. 1st ext. g. 4s, 1938	103	July 15	100	Apr 30	102	Nov 23	..	..
Do., 2d extended g. 5s, 1938	109	Dec 8	100	Apr 12	109	Dec 8	..	..
St. L. & I. Mt. 1st ext. 4½s, 1947	103	Dec 2	103	Apr 12	103	Dec 2	103¾	..
Do., Arkans. Branch ext. g. 5s, 1935	107¼	Nov 22	104	June 7	106	Dec 7	106¼	106⅝
Do., gen. con. ry. & ld. grt. g. 5s, 1931	90⅜	Sep. 14	67½	May 14	88	Dec 11	87½	89⅛
Do., gen. con. stmpd. gtd. g. 5s, 1931	87	Aug 21	68	June 4	86	Oct 16	87	88
Mobile & Ohio new g. 6s, 1927	124	Nov 17	116¾	June 4	121½	Dec 10	121	..
Do., 1st extension g. 6s, 1927	119	Oct 19	112	Mar 25	119	Dec 6	..	119
Do., gen. g. 4s, 1938	78¼	Dec 10	65	Apr 19	76¼	Dec 11	..	..
St. Louis & Cairo gtd. g. 4s, 1931	..	....	..	....	84	Apr'96	83	..
Morgan's La. & Texas 1st g. 6s, 1920	114	Nov 17	114	Nov 17	114	Nov 17	114	..
Do., 1st 7s, 1918	127½	Oct 26	127½	Oct 26	127½	Oct 26	129	132
Nash., Chat. & St. L. 1st 7s, 1913	133½	J'ne 22	127½	Jan 6	133	Nov 17	132	135
Do., 2d 6s, 1901	105¾	Nov 9	104¾	Apr 14	105¾	Nov 9	..	..
Do., 1st con. g. 5s, 1928	106½	Oct 26	98⅝	June 8	106¼	Dec 3	..	..
Do., 1st 6s, McM., M. W. & Al., 1917	..	....	..	....	108	Mar'96	..	..
N. O. & N. East. pr. lien 6s, 1915	..	....	..	....	108½	Aug'94	..	..
N. Y. Cent. & H. R. 1st 7s, 1903	121⅜	Apr 15	117¼	Jan 7	119	Dec 1	119	119¾
Do., do., registered	120⅜	Apr 26	117	Jan 4	115⅝	Nov 18	115⅝	119¼
Do., debenture 5s of 1884-1904	113	Aug 28	106	Mar 4	110½	Nov 29	110⅜	110¾
Do., do., registered	111	J'ly 21	106½	Jan 9	110	Dec 2	110	110¾
Do., reg. debenture 5s of 1889-1904	109½	Sept 17	107¼	Feb 13	109½	Sept 24	110¼	110¾
Do., debenture g. 4s, 1890-1905	105⅝	May 3	102½	Feb 5	104	Oct 25	103	..
Do., do., registered	104⅜	Aug 20	101¾	Jan 13	103½	Oct 19	103	..
Do., debt. certfs. ext. g. 4s, 1905	105	J'ly 20	101⅞	Jan 5	103	Nov 22	103¼	..
Do., do., registered	104	J'ly 29	103⅝	May 19	104	J'ly 29	103½	..
Harlem 1st 7s, 1900	114	Apr 20	107½	Nov 3	107⅞	Nov 15	108½	109¼
Do., do., registered	114	Mar 30	107	Oct 27	107⅜	Dec 8	108⅜	..
N. Jersey Junc. R. gtd. 1st 4s, 1986	108	May 7	103	May 7	103	May 7	104	..
West Shore 1st 4s, gtd, 2361	111¾	Nov 24	105	Jan 4	111⅜	Dec 10	111	111⅝
Do., registered	111¾	Nov 24	104	Jan 4	111	Dec 8	110½	111¾
Beech Creek 1st gtd. g. 4s, 1936	106¼	Mar 24	103	Jan 7	106⅛	Nov 16	..	106½
Clearf. Bit. Coal gtd.g.4s,Ser.A,1940	80	Nov 15	68	Nov 15	80	Nov 15	..	..
Rome, W. & Og. con. 1st ext.5s,1922	121½	J'ly 2	117¾	Jan 5	115⅝	Dec 3	..	..
R., W. & Og. Ter. R. 1st gtd. 5s, 1918	..	....	..	....	100	Jan '92	..	..
Oswego & Rome 2d gtd. g. 5s, 1915	..	....	..	....	110	Oct '94	..	..
Utica & B. Riv. gtd. g. 4s, 1922	107½	June 2	107½	June 2	107½	Oct 14	..	..
Mohawk & Malone 1st gtd. g. 4s, 1991	..	....	..	....	100	Mar'96	..	..
New York & Northern 1st g. 5s, 1927	122½	Sept 24	118¼	Jan 7	122½	Sept 24	..	..
N. Y., Chic. & St. Louis 1st g. 4s, 1937	108	Sept 2	103½	Apr 4	106⅜	Dec 10	106½	106⅝
Do., do., registered	105	Feb 16	102½	May 24	103	Nov 4	..	..
N.Y.,N.H. & H. 1st registered 4s, 1903	104½	Oct 7	104½	Oct 7	104½	Oct 7	140	142
Do., con. deb. certfs. $1,000	142	Sept 28	132½	Feb 4	141	Dec 7	140	..
Do., do, small certfs., $100	140½	Sept 28	133	Feb 15	140	Nov 19	..	..
Housatonic con. g. 5s, 1937	125½	Jan 27	125¼	Feb 6	125¼	Feb 6	122	..
New Haven & Derby con. 5s, 1918	..	....	..	....	115½	Oct '96	112	..
N. Y. & N. England 1st 7s, 1905	123½	J'ne 16	119¼	Jan 10	123	J'ne 16	..	..
Do., 1st 6s, 1905	114	Jan 18	113¾	May 27	114	May 27	..	..
N. Y., Ont. & Wn. con 1st g. 5s, 1939	111	May 27	107¼	Dec 10	107¼	Dec 10	..	..
Do., refunding 1st g. 4s, 1992	99	Aug 30	88¾	Jan 5	96⅝	Dec 10	96¾	97
N. Y., Sus. & W. 1st refunding 5s, 1937	107	Sept 16	100	Jan 7	106	Dec 8	106	107
Do., 2d g. 4½s, 1937	85	Sept 16	72	J'ne 19	84	Oct 7	..	..
Do., gen. g. 5s, 1940	90¼	Sept 17	68	June 7	85⅝	Dec 9	..	86½
Do., terminal 1st g. 5s, 1943	106⅞	Oct 6	105	Jan 4	106½	Nov 12	..	..
Wilk. & East. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1942	98	J'ly 27	87¼	Jan 20	93¼	Dec 9	..	..
Midland R. of N. J. 1st g. 6s, 1910	121	Sept 15	116¾	Apr 2	120	Dec 8	..	..
Nor. Pac. 1st g. 6s, 1921	122½	Sep. 13	113	Jan 6	119	Dec 11	119	..
Do., do., registered	123	Sep. 14	118¾	Jan 7	119½	Dec 9	..	..
St. Paul & Nor. Pac. gen. g. 6s, 1923	130	July 27	123¼	Feb 9	128	Dec 8	128½	130¼
Do., do., registered certificates	128½	Oct 5	128¼	Oct 5	128	Nov 3	..	..
Nor. Pac. Ry pr. in. 4s, 1997	94½	Dec 11	85¼	Jan 5	94⅜	Dec 11	94¼	94½
Do., registered	92⅝	Sep. 25	85¾	Apr 17	90¼	Nov 6	..	..
Do., gen. lien g. 3s, 2047	61⅝	Sep. 9	51½	Apr 19	60⅜	Dec 11	..	60¾
Nor. Pac. Terminal Co. 1st g. 6s, 1933	110	Mar 20	97¾	May 17	106½	Dec 10	104	105
Norfolk & Southern 1st g. 5s, 1941	106	J'ne 28	100¾	Feb 20	106	J'ne 28	..	..
Norfolk & West. R. gen. g. 6s, 1931	123½	July 16	117	Jan 13	121½	Dec 2	122	126
Do., New River 1st g. 6s, 1932	120¾	Dec 7	111	Apr 1	120¾	Dec 7	..	..
Do., improvement & ext. g. 6s, 1934	..	....	..	....	97	Feb '94	117⅝	..
Col. Con. & Ter. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1922	101	Feb 23	101	Feb 23	101	Feb 23	..	..
Scioto V. & N. E. 1st gtd. g. 4s, 1989	85	Sep. 13	79½	June 4	83	Dec 9	83¼	..
Nort. & West. Ry. 1st con. g. 4s, 1996	80¼	Sep. 10	67½	Apr 24	77⅜	Dec 11	77½	77¾
Ogden. & L. Cham. 1st con.6s,1920	..	....	..	....	94	Apr'96	90	..
Do., do., small	..	....	..	....	82	Feb'87	..	..
Ohio & Miss. con. sink. fund 7s, 1898	106	J'ne 19	102	Aug 4	106	Nov 18	106	..
Do., con. 7s, 1898	106⅝	J'ne 22	102	July 30	106	Dec 10	106	..
Do., 2d con. 7s, 1911	120	Mar 3	115	Jan 18	120	J'ne 21	..	..
Do., 1st Springfield div. 7s, 1905	106¾	Apr 29	100¼	J'ne 28	106⅜	Dec 10	106	106
Do., 1st gen. 5s, 1932	..	....	..	....	98	Apr'92	..	..
Ohio River Railroad 1st g. 5s, 1936	105	Nov 15	101½	Apr 30	103	Nov 15	..	..
Do., gen. g. 5s, 1937	..	....	..	....	85	Dec 16	..	..
Ohio Southern 1st g. 6s, 1921	90	Jan 9	85¼	Feb 24	80	Nov 19	..	..
Do., gen. g. 4s, 1921	16	Sep. 17	9	J'ne 22	14	Nov 12	..	..
Do., do., eng. Trust Co. certfs	15	Jan 8	8¼	Apr 22	8¼	Apr 22	..	..
Omaha & St. Louis 1st g. 4s, 1901	88	Dec 9	76	Nov 12	85	Dec 11	84	85½
Oregon & Calif. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1927	72½	J'ne 11	72½	J'ne 11	72½	J'ne 11	..	..
Oreg. Imp. Co. 1st g. 6s, 1910	108	Sep. 21	88	Apr 29	108	Sep. 21	..	..
Do., eng. Trust Co ctfs of deposit	103¼	Sep. 18	84½	June 5	101¼	Dec 10	..	..
Do., con. g. 5s, 1939	*40	Sep. 20	15	Feb 10	*40	Nov 15	..	..
Do., do., Tr. Co. recr. ctfs., 3d in. pd.	43⅜	Dec 7	41	Nov 29	42½	Dec 9	..	..
Ore. R. & N. 1st sink. fd. g. 6s, 1909	116⅜	Dec 8	110	Jan 4	116	Dec 11	116	116⅜
Ore. R. & N. Co. con. g. 4s, 1946	94¼	Nov 30	80	Jan 4	93	Dec 11	92⅝	..
Oregon Short Line 1st g. 6s, 1922	124	Dec 2	113¼	Jan 2	123¼	Dec 10	123½	124½
Utah & Northern 1st 7s, 1908	119½	J'ne 30	114	Feb 16	118⅝	Aug 5	117	120
Do., g. 5s, 1926	102	May 24	102	May 24	102	May 24	100	..
Ore. Short Line 1st con. g. 5s, 1946	99⅜	Dec 7	86	J'ly 9	99⅜	Dec 11	98½	99⅝
Do., non-cum. inc. A 5s, 1946	61⅜	Aug 31	44	J'ly 8	58	Dec 10	..	..
Do., non-cum. inc. B and col. trust	40⅛	Sept 23	36	Nov 4	39¼	Dec 10	38½	40
Panama sink. fd. subsidy g. 6s, 1910	..	....	..	....	101½	Dec '96	..	..
Pennsylvania Co.	..	....	..	....	..	....	..	..
Penn. Co. gtd. 1st g. 4½s, 1921	115⅜	Dec 7	109¾	Jan 18	115⅜	Dec 7	..	..
Do., do., registered	114⅜	Dec 7	109¼	Jan 28	114	Dec 11	..	..
P., C., C. & St.L. gtd.g.4½s,1940,Ser.A	112	Sept 21	106½	Apr 4	109	Oct 21	111½	112
Do., do., Series B, gtd., 1942	111½	Dec 6	108¾	Jan 28	111¾	Dec 11	111¼	111¾
Do., do., Series C, gtd., 1942	111	J'ne 17	111	J'ne 17	111	J'ne 17	..	..
Do., do., Series D, gtd. 4s, 1945	102	Apr 20	101½	Aug 6	102	Oct 9	..	..
Pitts., C. & St. L. 1st 7s, 1900	111¾	J'ly 2	109¾	Feb 4	111¾	J'ly 2	..	..
Do., do., registered	109¾	Apr 23	109	Apr 14	109¾	Apr 23	..	..
Pitts., Ft. W. & C. 1st 7s, 1912	142	Oct 4	136	Jan 6	142	Nov 16	..	..
Do., 2d 7s, 1912	141½	Nov 30	136	Jan 30	141½	Nov 30	..	..
Do., 3d 7s, 1912	..	....	..	....	140	Aug'96	..	..
C., St. L. & P. 1st con. g. 5s, 1932	115	Jan 4	110¼	J'ly 8	110¼	J'ly 8	..	..
Clev. & Pitts. con. sink. fund 7s, 1900	113½	Apr 14	110½	J'ly 8	110½	J'ly 8	..	..
Do., gen. gtd. g. 4½s, Series A, 1942	..	....	..	....	112½	Apr'96	..	..
St. L., Ver. & T. H. 1st 7s, 1898	102	J'ne 18	101	Nov 9	101	Nov 9	..	..
Do., 2d gtd. 7s, 1898	..	....	..	....	100	Nov'96	101	..
Gt. R. & I. ex. 1st gtd.g.4½s,1941	..	....	..	....	110	Ja 27'96	..	..
Alleg. Val gen. gtd. g. 4s, 1942	102	Nov 10	101	Nov 10	102	Nov 10	..	..
Penn R. R. Co. 1st real est. g. 4s, 1923	108	Apr 14	103	May 12	108	May 12	..	..
U. N. J. R. & Can. Co. gen. 4s, 1944	114½	Oct 22	113¾	Mar 16	114¼	Oct 22	..	..
Peoria, Dec. & Evans. 1st g. 6s, 1920	104	Feb 1	92	May 28	103⅝	Nov 13	104½	..
Do., 4s, Trust Co. certfs	103	Nov 10	97¼	Oct 30	98	Dec 8	98¼	..
Do., Evans. div. 1st g. 6s, 1920	102	Feb 8	91	June 3	101	Dec 7	..	..
Do., do., 4s, Trust Co Certfs	98¼	Nov 11	85¼	Nov 16	95¾	Nov 20	..	98¼
Do., Trust Co. ctfs for 3d g. 5s, 1920	27½	Jan 13	10	May 14	12	Nov 18	12	14½
Peoria & Pekin Union 1st g. 6s, 1921	114	Jan 21	113¼	Mar 8	113¼	Mar 8	..	..
Do., 2d g. 6s, 1921	30	Oct 13	18¾	Jan 21	25	Nov 24	..	..
Pine Creek registered gtd 6s, 1932	137	Nov 17	137	Nov 17	137	Nov 17	..	..
Pitts., Clev. & Tol. 1st g. 6s, 1922	..	....	..	....	114½	Apr'96	..	..
Pitts., Junc. 1st g. 6s, 1922	..	....	..	....	114	Mar'96	..	..
Pitts. & L. E. 1st g. 5s, 1940	..	....	..	....	114	Mar'96	..	..
Pitts., Mck. & Y. 1st gtd 6s, 1932	..	....	..	....	117	May'96	..	..
Pitts., Painsv. & Ft. Wayne 1st g. 6s, 1916	..	....	..	....	130½	Apr'96	..	..
Pitts., Shen. & L. Erie 1st g. 5s, 1940	108	Dec 8	95	Jan 5	105⅝	Dec 8	105¼	105½
Do., 1st cons. g. 5s, 1943	98	July 7	93	July 14	98	July 14	103	..
Pitts. & West. 1st g. 4s, 1917	77½	Oct 22	68	June 9	77½	Dec 10	76½	..
Do., g. 4s, 1917	37½	Mar 2	37½	Mar 1	39¼	Mar 1	..	..
Reading Co. gen. g. 4s, 1997	82⅞	Sep. 3	69¾	Apr 21	82¼	Dec 11	82	..
N. Y. & Rich. & West. 1st g. 6s, 1918	102	Sep. 18	97½	Mar 25	102	Dec 10	..	..

	Range for Year 1897. Highest.		Lowest.		Last Sale.		Bid.	Ask'd
Rio Grande Junc. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1939	90	Oct 21	90	Oct 21	90	Oct 21	..	..
Rio Grande South. 1st g. 5-4s, 1940	63½	Jan 15	63½	Jan 15	63½	Jan 15	..	..
St. Jo. & Gr. Isl. 1st g. 2-3-4s, 1947	70¼	Dec 10	62⅝	J'ne 10	70¼	Dec 10	70⅛	71½
St.L., Alt. & T.H.1st & ter.g. 5s,1914	106½	Nov 22	104½	Apr 28	106⅛	Nov 22	..	..
Belleville & Carodt 1st 6s, 1923	..	....	..	....	115	J'22.'96	..	..
C., St. L. & Pad. 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1917	106	July 1	106	July 1	106	July 1	..	..
St. Louis South. 1st gtd. g. 4s, 1931	90	Nov 12	90	Nov 12	90	Nov 12	..	..
Do., 2d income 5s, 1931	..	....	..	....	72½	Feb'93	..	..
Do., 1st con. g. 5s, 1939	..	....	..	....	..	....	80	..
St. L. & S. F. 2d g. 6s, Class A, 1906	115	Apr 23	112	Jan 6	114½	Dec 3	114¼	115¼
Do., 2d g. 6s, Class B, 1906	116¼	Oct 18	112	Jan 6	114½	Dec 7	..	..
Do., 2d g. 6s, Class C, 1906	115⅞	Oct 11	111¾	May 4	114½	Dec 6	..	..
Do., 1st g. 6s, Pierce C. & O., 1919	..	....	..	....	113¾	J'ly'96	..	..
Do., gen. g. 6s, 1931	119	Dec 7	106¼	Jan 7	118⅝	Dec 11	118⅝	119½
Do., gen. g. 5s, 1931	104⅜	Dec 9	94½	Jan 5	104⅝	Dec 11	104½	104⅝
Do., 1st trust g. 5s, 1987	96	Dec 9	88	May 13	93	Dec 9	..	..
Ft. Smith & Van B. Bdg. 1st 6s, 1910	110	Mar 30	105	Oct 4	105	Oct 4	106	..
St. L. & San Fran. R. R. g. 4s, 1996	75¼	Dec 8	62½	Jan 14	75¼	Dec 11	..	..
St. Louis Southw. 1st 4s, bd. ctfs, 1989	76½	Sep 4	59¾	Apr 1	73⅝	Dec 10	..	..
Do., 2d g. 4s, inc. bond cts, 1989	31¼	Aug 9	15	Apr 1	28	Dec 3	27½	..
St. Paul City Ry. Cable con. g. 5s, 1937	91	Feb 27	90	Nov 8	90	Nov 8	..	..
St. Paul & Duluth 1st 5s, 1931	..	....	..	....	114	Aug'94	113	122
Do., 2d 5s, 1917	106	Nov 29	102	Apr 10	105½	Dec 9	105	107
St. Paul, M. & M. 2d 6s, 1909	122¼	Mar 5	118¾	Jan 11	121½	Dec 10	121	123
Do., Dakota extens. g. 6s, 1910	122⅜	J'ly 30	116¾	Jan 4	121	Dec 10	120	..
Do., 1st con. g. 6s, 1933	130	Dec 7	123	Jan 6	130	Dec 7	..	..
Do., do., registered	..	....	..	....	119¾	Sep'96	..	..
Do., do., reduced to g. 4½s	108	Dec 10	102½	Jan 4	108	Dec 11	107⅜	..
Do., do., do., registered	106½	Mar 29	106½	Mar 29	106½	Mar 29	..	..
Do., Montana exten. 1st g. 4s, 1937	95	Aug 30	87¾	Jan 12	93	Dec 8	93	..
Do., do., registered	89¼	Apr 23	85	Jan 19	89¼	Apr 23	..	..
Minneapolis Union 1st g. 6s, 1922	126	Sept 10	123	J'ly 10	126	Sept 10	..	..
Montana Central 1st gtd. g. 6s, 1937	122½	Oct 27	114¼	Feb 8	122½	Oct 27	..	..
Do., do., registered	115	Apr 24	115	Apr 24	115	Apr 24	..	..
Do., 1st gtd. g. 5s, 1937	108	June 2	103	Feb 19	108	Nov 27	108	..
Eastern Minn. 1st div. 1st g. 5s, 1908	108	Mar 17	105¼	Sept 16	107	Nov 9	107⅝	..
Willmar & Sioux Falls 1st g. 5s, 1938	111	Nov 23	106	Mar 16	111	Nov 23	109	110
Do., do., registered	..	....	..	....	115	Ap 24'96	..	..
San Ant. & A. P. 1st gtd. g. 4s, 1943	63	Aug 16	54⅞	Jan 13	60¼	Dec 11	60	61
San F. & N. P. 1st s. f. g. 5s, 1919	100¼	Oct 20	100½	Oct 20	100½	Oct 20	..	..
Sav., Flor. & W. 1st con. g. 6s, 1934	114	Jan 25	114	Jan 25	114	Jan 25	..	..
Do., 1st g. 5s, 1934	106⅝	Aug 2	104½	Oct 18	104½	Oct 18	..	..
Seaboard & Roanoke 1st 6s, 1926	..	....	..	....	98	A 18'96	..	..
Seat., L.S. & E. 1st g.6s,1931, ass.pd.	40	Aug 11	38	Aug 10	40	Aug 11	32	40
South Carolina & Ga. 1st g. 5s, 1919	95¼	Aug 31	87½	Feb 3	95¼	Dec 10	94⅜	95¼
So. Pac. of Ariz. gtd. 1st g. 6s, 1909-10	104	Dec 2	90	Feb 2	104	Dec 6	101	103
So. Pac. of Cal. 1st g. 6s, 1905-12	109	Sept 14	105½	Oct 11	108	Nov 15	..	..
Do., do., 1st con. gtd. g. 5s, 1937	94	Dec 3	85	Feb 17	92½	Dec 11	92	..
Austin & Northw'n 1st gtd. g. 5s,1941	89¼	Dec 10	82	Jan 2	89¼	Dec 10	85	..
So. Pac. of N. M. 1st g. 6s, 1911	108½	Dec 1	102	Jan 4	108½	Dec 11	107	..
South'n R'way 1st con. g. 5s, 1994	95	Sept 3	87½	Mar 29	94⅜	Dec 11	94⅜	94¾
East Tenn. reor. lien g. 4-5s, 1938	92¼	Nov 30	86	May 8	92¼	Nov 30	93	..
Alabama Cont. R. 1st g. 6s, 1918	112¼	Aug 17	109¼	Feb 3	112½	Aug 17	..	..
Colum. & Greenville 1st g. 5-6s, 1916	117	Nov 17	115½	Aug 26	116½	Dec 8	..	117½
East Tenn., Va. & Ga. 1st 7s, 1900	111	J'ne 22	107¼	Jan 4	110	Dec 1	109½	110¾
Do., divisional g. 5s, 1930	116	J'ne 5	112	Jan 27	115	Nov 12	113	..
Do., con. 1st g. 5s, 1956	112	Aug 13	107	Jan 2	110¼	Dec 10	..	..
Georgia Pac. Ry. 1st g. 5-6s, 1922	120	Nov 8	107½	Jan 6	120	Nov 8	..	..
Knoxville & Ohio 1st g. 6s, 1925	116½	J'ne 30	112	Jan 7	116	Dec 7	116	119
Rich. & Danv. con. g. 6s, 1915	124¾	J'ne 25	117¾	Jan 5	124¼	Dec 7	124	..
Do., equipment sink. fd. g. 5s, 1909	101	Nov 22	100	Jan 14	101	Nov 22	..	..
Do., deb. 5s, stamped, 1927	101	Feb 5	95	Jan 14	100	Nov 4	98	..
Va. Midland gen. 5s, 1936	104½	Sept 15	100	Jan 12	103	Dec 7	..	..
Do., do., gtd., stamped, 1936	103½	Sep 30

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	Bid.	Asked.
Atlantic Avenue gen. m. 5s	100	102
Atlantic Avenue con. m. 6s	103	105
Atlantic Avenue imp. 5s	97	99
Bridgeport Traction 1st 5s	100	105
Brooklyn St. R. R. Sec. 5s	91	92
Brooklyn, B. & P. Ry. 1st 5s	104	104½
Broadway & Seventh Avenue	200	205
Broadway & Seventh Av. 1st	110	115
Broadway & Seventh Av. 2d	111	112
Broadway Surface 1st 5s	117	118
Broadway Surface 2d	104	105
B'klyn, Bath & W. E. 5s, ex. in.	73	75
Brooklyn City Railroad	196	197
Brooklyn City R. R. 1st m. 5s	130½	131
B'klyn City & Newtown stock	130	140
B'klyn City & Newtown 1st 5s	114	116
Brooklyn Elevated 1. r	5	5½
B'klyn, Queens Co. & Sub'n 5s	102	103
Buffalo Crosstown 5s	103	103
Buffalo Street Railway stock	17½	19
Buffalo Street Ry. 1st consols	109	111
Central Crosstown	245	..
Central Crosstown 1st 6s	118	120
Central Park, N. & E. River	175	177
Central Park, N. & E. River 7s	113	115½
Christopher & Tenth Street	155	165
Christopher & Tenth Street 1st	102	105
Citizens' Ry., (Indianapolis)	15	18
Citizens' Ry. (Indianapolis) 5s	75	..
Cleveland City Railway	60	..
Cleveland Cable 1st 5s	100	102
Cleveland Electric Railway	55	..
Cleveland Electric con. 5s	102	104
Coney Island & Brooklyn stock	150	..
Coney Island & B'klyn 1st 5s	103	105
C. I. & B'klyn 5 per cent. ctfs.	101	..
Columbus (Ohio) stock	45½	47½
Columbus (Ohio) cons. 5s	94	95
Columbus Crosstown 1st 5s	99	..
Consolidated Traction, N. J.	35	35½
Consolidated Trac., N. J., 5s	95	97
D. D., E. B'way & B. stock	175	190
D. D., E. B'way & B. 1st 5s	115½	117
D. D., E. B'y & B. 5 p. c. scrip	97	100
Eighth Avenue	321	330
Eighth Av. 6 per cent. scrip	104	106
42d & Grand Street	320	350
42d St., Man. & St. Nich. Av.	39	40
42d St., Man. & St. N. Av. 1st	115	117
42d St., Man. & St. N. Av. 2d	70	78
Grand St. & Newtown, B'klyn.	65	65
Kings County Elevated	2	3
Kings County Traction	46	47
Louisville St. Ry. 5 p. c. bonds	111½	112
Louisville St. Ry. com.	45	50
Louisville St. Ry. pref.	95	100
Met. W. S. Elev. (Chi.) 1st 5s	53¼	53
Minneapolis St. Ry. 5s	90	95
Nassau Elec. 1st 5s, (B'klyn)	95	96
New Orleans Traction common	2½	3
New Orleans Traction pf.	17	20
New Orleans Traction notes	..	75
North Shore Traction com.	18	20
North Shore Traction pf.	74	75
Ninth Avenue	180	200
Providence & Pawtucket 1st	99	102
Richmond Ry. Elec. 1st 5s	80	83
Rochester Ry	18	19
Rochester Ry. con. 5s	90	..
Second Avenue stock	130	140
Second Avenue 1st m. 5s	108	110
Second Avenue debenture 5s	102	105
Scranton Traction	7	9
Sixth Avenue R. R. stock	190	198
South Ferry 1st 5s	107	112
S. I. Rapid Transit 1st 6s	107	..
S. I. Rapid Transit 2d	60	70
Steinway R. R. Co. 6 p. c. 1st	114	116
Third Avenue Railroad	146	148
Twenty-third Street	310	..
Twenty-third St. deb. 5s	102	106
Twin City R. Traction Co. com.	11	15
Twin City R. Tr. Co. pf.	..	95
Union Railway	110	..
Union Railway 1st 5s	107	109
West Chicago St.	102¾	103¾
West End, (Boston)	84	85
West End, (Boston,) pf.	103	104
Worcester Traction common	17	18
Worcester Traction pf.	96	96

Ferry Securities.

	Bid.	Asked.
Hoboken Ferry stock	89	89½
Hoboken Ferry 5s	105	107
Metropolitan Ferry 5s	108	110
N. Y. & E. R. Ferry 5s	95	97
N. Y. & E. R. Ferry stock	75	80
Union Ferry	66½	67½
Union Ferry bonds	104	106

Trust Companies, &c.

	Bid.	Asked.
American Surety	175	180
Atlantic	..	148
Bond & Mort. Guar. Co.	190	195
Brooklyn	405	..
Central	1,250	..
Colonial	155	..
Continental	175	..
Farmers' Loan & Trust	825	..
Franklin	230	240
German-American R. E.	..	80
Guaranty	450	..
Hamilton	235	238
Kings County	278	275
Knickerbocker	200	..
Lawyers' Surety	105	110
Lawyers' Title Ins.	145	..
Long Island Loan & Trust	225	230
Manhattan	150	..
Manufacturers', Brooklyn	220	..
Mercantile	440	..
Metropolitan	300	..
Nassau	150	155
National Surety	200	212
N. Y. Life Ins. & Trust Co.	1150	..
N. Y. Security & Trust	315	..
People's	240	..
Produce Exchange	200	210
Real Estate Trust Co.	180	..
Real Estate Ex. & Auc. R.	70	..
State	190	..
Title Guar. & Trust	270	275
Union	1000	1050
U. S. Mortgage & Trust	260	..
United States	1125	..
Washington	228	..

Insurance Companies.

	Bid.	Asked.
Citizens'	107	110
Commonwealth	107	115
Continental	380	..
Eagle	235	241
Empire City	100	105
Farragut	85	90
German-American	415	440
Germania	260	270
Greenwich	155	..
Hamilton	110	115
Hanover	145	150
Home	190	200

Insurance Companies Continued.

	Bid.	Asked.
Kings County, Brooklyn	115	120
Knox, Brooklyn	100	120
New York	115	130
Niagara	165	170
North River	120	130
Pacific	145	..
Peter Cooper	125	130
Peonix, Brooklyn	170	175
Rutgers	125	130
Stuyvesant	80	85
United States	115	125
Westchester	415	425
Williamsburg City	380	..

Electric Light and Manufacturing.

	Bid.	Asked.
Allegheny County Light Co.	100	..
Brush Electric Co.	..	40
Bridgeport (Conn.) Elec. L. Co.	35	38
Eddy Electric Mfg. Co.	..	19
Edison Elec. Ill. Co., St. Louis	3½	4½
Edison Elec. Ill. Co., Brooklyn	108	110
Edison Ore Milling Co.	12	15
Edison Storage Co.	37½	39
East End Electric Light	..	10
Fort Wayne Electric Co.	½	1½
Ft. Wayne E.Co., T. S., Series A.	3	3¼
General Electric Co. pf.	81	85
Hartford (Conn.) Elec. Light Co.	110	..
Hartford (Conn.) L. & P. Co.	4½	..
New Haven (Conn.) Elec. L. Co.	145	..
Narragansett (Prov., R.I.) E. Co.	82	85
Rhode Island Elec. Protec. Co.	115	120
Toronto (Can.) Elec. Light Co.	131	131¼
Thomson-Houston Welding Co.	5	..
United Elec. Light & P. Co. pf.	2	..
Westinghouse El. & Mfg. Co.	..	23
Westinghouse El. & Mfg. Co. pf.	..	84
Woonsocket (R. I.) Electric Co.	90	100

Banks.

	Bid.	Asked.
America	350	..
American Exchange	170	172½
Astor Place	225	..
Bowery	300	320
Broadway	237	245
Butchers & Drovers'	90	105
Central	164	170
Chase	500	..
Chatham	290	300
Chemical	4000	..
Citizens'	125	135
City	700	..
Clinton	90	100
Colonial	100	110
Columbia	150	170
Commerce	209	211
Continental	130	135
Corn Exchange	285	295
East River	135	145
Eleventh Ward	225	..
Fifth Avenue	2800	3500
Fifth National	225	..
First National	2800	..
First National of Staten Island	120	150
Fourth National	165	195
Fourteenth Street	130	160
Gallatin	310	..
Gansevoort	..	100
Garfield	350	..
German-American	112	125
Germania	300	..
German Exchange	..	515
Greenwich	165	..
Hamilton	100	..
Hanover	358	..
Hide & Leather	90	95
Home	150	..
Hudson River	155	..
Importers & Traders'	525	535
Irving	147½	152½
Leather Manufacturers'	168	172
Liberty	135	..
Lincoln	700	800
Manhattan	230	..
Market & Fulton	220	230
Mechanics'	185	195
Mechanics & Traders'	110	113
Mercantile	175	..
Merchants' Exchange	120	125
Merchants'	147½	150
Metropolis	440	..
Mount Morris	100	..
Mutual	100	120
Nassau	150	..
National Union	220	230
New Amsterdam	230	..
New York	235	240
New York County	700	..
New York National Exchange	80	..
Ninth National	95	98
Nineteenth Ward	100	..
North America	135	137½
Oriental	150	..
Pacific	175	185
Park	265	270
People's	210	..
Phenix	..	100
Plaza	190	..
Produce Exchange	114	118
Republic	155	165
Riverside	160	..
Seaboard	172	..
Second National	450	..
Seventh National	100	105
Shoe & Leather	94	96
Sixth National	250	..
State of New York	110	..
Third National	20	35
Tradesmen's	102	..
Twelfth Ward	125	..
Twenty-third Ward	100	..
Union Square	170	190
United States	210	..
Western	125	..
West Side	275	..
Yorkville	175	..

Industrial and Miscellaneous.

	Bid.	Asked.
Acker, Merrall & Condit	98	100
Amirecan Air Power	..	11
American Bank Note Co.	42	44
American Brake	84	..
American Grocery 1st pf.	5	10
American Press Association	..	105
American Soda Fountain com.	10	20
American Soda Fountain 1st pf.	53	63
American-Soda Fountain 2d pf.	..	45
Am. Type Founders, new stock	30	33
American Strawboard	28	28½
Atlantic Mu. Ins. scrip, 1897	107	..
American Graphophone	9¾	10¼
Anderson Tobacco	20	30
Automatic Vending	40	70
Barney & Smith Car com.	16	18
Barney & Smith Car pf.	57	62
Barney & Smith Car 6s	98	100
Bergner & Engel Brew. Co. com.	..	75
Bergner & Engel Brew. Co. pf.	..	102½
Bergner & Engel 1st 6s	107	111
Blackwell's Durham Tobacco	60	65
Celluloid Company	60	62
Cen. & South Amer. Tel.	100	106
Ches. & Pot. Tel. stock	62	68
Ches. & Pot. Tel 5s	104	..
Chesebrough Mfg. Co.	380	400
Claflin (H. B.) 1st pf.	94	..
Claflin (H. B.) 2d pf.	94	..
Clark Mile End Thread	80	..
Commercial Cable	170	175
Commercial Union Tel.	108	..
Consolidated Car Heating	25	30

Industrial and Miscellaneous Continued.

	Bid.	Asked.
Consolidated Fireworks com.	20	..
Consolidated Fireworks pf.	60	..
Crumps' Slide & Imp. pfd.	60	65
Diamond Match Co.	142½	143½
Electric Pneumatic	1¾	1¼
Empire & Bay State Tel.	68	73
Eastman Kodak Co.	95	100
Erie & Western Trans.	43	48
Glucose Sugar Refining com.	82	83
Glucose Sugar Refining pf.	89	92
Gorham Mfg. Co. com.	..	90
Gorham Mfg. Co. pf.	112	..
Great Falls Ice	115	..
Hecker-Jones-Jewell Milling pf.	96	99
Hecker-Jones-Jewell M. bonds	94	97
Herring-Hall-Marvin com.	1	2
Herring-Hall-Marvin pf.	10	15
Hoboken Land & Imp.	100	..
Hoboken Land & Imp. 5s	103½	..
Hudson River Telephone	66	67
Iron Steamboat	3½	4¾
Iron Steamboat 6s	60	65
J. B. Stetson com.	..	80
J. B. Stetson pf.	100	110
Journeay & Burnham com.	18	22
Journeay & Burnham pf.	71	77
Lorillard pf.	115	117
Madison Square Garden stock	3	5
Madison Square Garden 2d 6s	20	40
Malt Trust com.	27	27½
Malt Trust pf.	76¾	77½
Mechanical Rubber com.	8	12
Mechanical Rubber pf.	20	40
Mergenthaler Linotype	142½	143
Mich. Pen. Car com.	9	13
Mich. Pen. Car pf.	80	91
Mich. Pen. Car 1st 5s	80	91
Mosler Safe Co.	100	106
National Saw pf.	..	23
National Casket Co.	80	90
National Wall Paper deb. stock	..	55
Natural Gas Trust	100	..
N. Y. Loan & Imp.	45	..
N. Y. Biscuit	81	82
N. Y. Biscuit bonds, 6s	106	..
New Jersey Zinc & Iron	94	..
New York Air Brake	20	25
N. Y. & N. J. Telephone	149	151
N. Y. & N. J. Telephone 5s	106¼	..
Nicaragua Construction	5	6
Northwestern Telegraph	110	115
Pennsylvania Coal	340	355
Penn. Salt Mfg.	101	..
Penn. Water com.	10	12
Phil. & Wil. Steamboat	120	142½
Pneumatic Gas Carriage	50	55
Pratt & Whitney com.	10	14
Pratt & Whitney pref.	65	70
Procter & Gamble	208	212
Procter & Gamble pref.	158	162
R. I. Perkins Horse Shoe	6	12
R. I. Perkins Horse Shoe pref.	40	56
Safety Car Heating & Lighting	84	87½
Simmons Hardware com.	100	105
Simmons Hardware pref.	105	109
Singer Mfg. Co.	334	336
Standard Oil	334	335
Standard Underground Cable	100	..
Sloss Iron & Steel 1st 6s	92	..
Southern & Atlantic Tel.	85	95
Southern Cotton Oil	15	20
Swift & Co.	93	96
Swift & Co. 1st 6s	103	106
Susquehanna Coal 6s	116½	..
Texas & Pacific Coal	48	52
Texas & Pacific Coal 1sts	100	..
Terminal Warehouse stock	..	10
Terminal Warehouse 1st 6s	..	72½
Terminal Warehouse deb. 6s	..	72½
Trenton Potteries com.	10	13
Trenton Potteries pref.	50	53
Trow Directory pref.	39	43
Union Switch & Signal	24½	25½
Union Switch & Signal pref.	50	..
Union Typewriter com.	6½	9
Union Typewriter 1st pref.	90	95
Union Typewriter 2d pref.	77	81
U. S. Glass com.	24¾	25½
U. S. Glass pref.	50	..
Wagner Palace Car	155	156½
Westinghouse Air Brake	190	200
Wool Exchange of N. Y.	110	112
Worthington Pump com.	..	23
Worthington Pump pref.	35	37

Gas Companies.

	Bid.	Asked.
Baltimore Consolidated	54½	55
Baltimore Con. 1st 5s	110	110½
Bay State Gas inc.	80	90
Burlington (Iowa) Gas	..	20
Buffalo (N. Y.) Subs	104¼	104¾
Central (N. Y.)	175	..
Central Union Gas bonds	99¼	100½
Central Union Gas con. deb. 5s	109	112
Chi. Consumers' 1st 5s	99	101
Chi. Eq. Gas L. & F. 1st 6s	106½	107½
Chi. P. Gas & C. 1st 6s	111	113
Chi. P. Gas & C. 2d 6s	107	109
Chi. P. G. & C. con. 6s	113	114½
Cicero Gas Co. 1st 6s	100	102
City Gas (Norfolk, Va.)	36	38
City Gas (Norfolk, Va.) 1st 6s	98	100
Columbus (Ohio) Gas stock	90	98
Columbus (Ohio) 1st m. 5s	101	102
Continental Gas bonds of N. J.	78	81
Consolidated Gas of N. J.	16	20
Consumers' Gas (Jersey City) stock	75	80
Consumers' Gas (Jersey City) bonds	102	105
Detroit Income 5s	91	94
Equitable	250	257½
Equitable 1st 6s	102¾	103½
Equitable 1st con. 5s	115½	117½
Eq., E. R. con. (new) com., w. i.	24	..
Eq., E. R. con. (new) pf., w. i.	50	..
Eq., E. R. con. (new) 5s, w. i.	..	98
Fort Wayne (Ind.) stock	81	85
Fort Wayne (Ind.) 1st m. 6s	91	93
Grand Rapids stock	74	75
Grand Rapids Gas bonds	99½	101½
Indiana Nat. & Ill.	60	63
Indiana Nat. & Ill. 1st m. 6s	74	77
Indianapolis stock	118	125
Indianapolis 1st 6s	104	108
Lafayette (Ind.) stock	86	88
Lafayette (Ind.) 1st m. 6s	91	93
Logansport & Wab. Val. stock	59	61
Logansport & Wab. Val. 1st 6s	76	78
Madison (Wis.) Gas	63	65
Madison (Wis.) 1st 6s	98½	100½
Minneapolis Gas 6s	98½	102
Mutual of New York	320	340
New Amsterdam pf., w. i.	69	70
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Co. 1st	112½	114
N. Y. & E. R. Gas Co. con.	106½	108
Norfolk (Va.) Gas stock	36	38
Norfolk (Va.) Gas 5s	98½	101
Ohio & Indiana stock	53	54
Ohio & Indiana bonds	70½	72½
St. Joseph (Mo.)	39	42
St. Joseph (Mo.) 5s	86	88
St. Paul Gas stock	45	50
St. Paul Gas bonds	75	80
Standard Gas, New York	144	149
Standard Gas, New York, pf.	154	160
Standard Gas, New York, 1st	114½	116½
Syracuse Gas stock	23½	25
Syracuse Gas 5s	94	97
West. Gas Co., Milwaukee	86	88
West. Gas Co. bonds, Milwaukee	103	103½
Williamsburg 1st 6s	103	105

FOREIGN TRADE FIGURES.

Following are the returns of foreign commerce at the Port of New York for the week ended Friday last and since the beginning of the year, compared with the totals of the corresponding periods of last year. In the case of the exports of general merchandise the returns are for the week ended on Tuesday:

Imports of Dry Goods and General Merchandise.

Week ending last Friday	$6,589,483
Corresponding week, 1897	5,617,413
Since Jan. 1, 1898	283,318,872
Corresponding period, 1897	250,365,638

Exports of Domestic Merchandise.

Week ending last Tuesday	$10,307,740
Corresponding week, 1897	8,616,171
Since Jan. 1, 1898	391,972,660
Corresponding period, 1897	304,410,033

Imports of Specie.

Week ending last Friday	$107,217
Corresponding week, 1897	60,253
Since Jan. 1, 1898	12,593,946
Corresponding period, 1897	22,533,201

Exports of Specie.

Week ending last Friday	$919,334
Corresponding week, 1897	943,276
Since Jan. 1, 1898	94,154,198
Corresponding period, 1897	101,179,497

CLEARING HOUSE COMPARISONS.

Exchanges, week ending Dec. 11	$728,621,643
Balances week ending Dec. 11	45,239,124
Exchanges week ending Dec. 4	788,520,006
Balances week ending Dec. 4	43,651,913
*Exchanges week ending Nov. 27	633,151,080
*Balances week ending Nov. 27	41,889,876
Exchanges week ending Nov. 20	728,626,060
Balances week ending Nov. 20	44,443,051
Exchanges week ending Nov. 13	766,006,295
Balances week ending Nov. 13	38,472,103
*Exchanges week ending Nov. 6	725,063,553
*Balances week ending Nov. 6	43,290,183
Exchanges week ending Oct. 30	686,229,801
Balances week ending Oct. 30	41,276,453
Exchanges week ending Oct. 23	784,596,106
Balances week ending Oct. 23	47,110,715
Exchanges week ending Oct. 16	796,810,800
Balances week ending Oct. 16	43,796,840
*Five days.	

SALES OF BANK STOCKS.

The sales of bank stocks on the Stock Exchange during the week were as follows:

	First.	High.	Low.	Last.	Sales.
Commerce	209	209	209	209	10
Market & Fulton	220	220	220	220	10
New York	240	240	240	240	6
Ninth	92	92	92	92	75
Tradesmen's	102	102	102	102	47
Total sales					148

TO PRODUCE SUGAR.

The stockholders of the Galveston Chamber of Commerce have provided for a committee to arrange for a meeting of landowners and cultivators of the surrounding country to begin a systematic movement toward enlarged cultivation of sugar cane and concert of action in securing seed cane, freight rates, grinding mills, and such other matters as may be deemed necessary to the successful production of sugar in the Texas Gulf coast country.

COTTON OIL MARKET.

The prolonged dullness in the cotton-oil market has given place to a decided improvement, and with more favoring ocean freight rates an active export trade would obtain at ruling prices. The weakness which was a feature of the market for several weeks is no longer apparent, and it would appear as if we were on the eve of an upward movement in prices. The increased domestic consumption of cotton oil has also contributed to placing the market on a better footing, while the interest displayed in the article by foreign consumers has developed to a point at which purchases cannot be much longer deferred, and with the probability of an advancing cotton-oil market in the near future it is certain that supplies for future delivery will be contracted for in appreciable quantities before the year closes.

IN THE HARDWARE TRADE.

With the ordinary requirements of the hardware markets in the usual sluggish condition anticipated at this time of the year, but little business is being done through the regular channels. Such goods as meet with a quicker demand during the holidays are being ordered with a fair amount of confidence in their meeting with a ready sale after being exhibited. The thousand and one things which at this season make a representative hardware stock attractive have this year been abundantly taken advantage of, and the dealers' sales have been largely increased thereby.—Hardware.

THE MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

In his report for Dec. 8, Secretary Hester of the New Orleans Cotton Exchange shows that during the ninety-four days of the season since Sept. 1, 5,478,084 bales of cotton have been brought into sight, against 4,966,613 bales for the same period last year. There have been exported 2,695,676 bales, against 2,407,280 bales, Great Britain still lagging by 13,391 bales. Northern mills have taken 904,485 bales, against 773,407 bales, and Southern mills 349,575 bales, against 334,453 bales.

PROSPECTS OF THE SOUTH.

The perplexing question of acreage of cotton will lose force as more cotton mills are built. Such construction will be hastened by the transfer to the South of the business of manufacturing textile machinery. Consequent upon this will be an increase in the number of kindred industries, the growth of towns, a closer population, and the hastening of the development of the small farm. The South will be absolutely self-sustaining, and not the least element in its welfare will be foreign commerce and internal trade fed by the railroads.

IN ONE SOUTHERN CITY.

During the past eleven months permits for the erection of new buildings to the value of $168,126 have been issued at Birmingham. This is an increase of $95,630 over the same period in 1896.

LATEST REPORTS OF RAILWAY GROSS EARNINGS.

Roads.	Latest Gross Earnings. Week or Mo.	1897.	1896.	Jan. 1 to Latest Date. 1897.	1896.
Adirondack	October	$17,894	$15,698	$170,264	$165,332
Ala. Gt. Southern	4th week Nov.	61,449	49,252	1,471,791	1,375,274
Ala. Midland	September	65,958	62,625	505,388	458,531
Ala., N. O., Tex. & Pac. Junc.					
N. O. & N. E.	2d week Nov.	29,000	31,000	1,081,121	1,117,622
Ala. & Vicksburg	2d week Nov.	15,000	15,000	471,007	492,881
Vicksburg, Sh. & P.	2d week Nov.	12,000	11,000	457,553	471,474
Allegheny Valley	October	282,494	205,402	2,988,931	1,965,290
Ann Arbor	1st week Dec.	26,023	20,957	1,200,993	1,077,592
Ark. Midland	September	11,176	8,726	71,906	65,020
Atch., T. & Santa Fé	October	3,695,379	3,302,691	27,361,494	24,847,397
Atlanta & Charleston	September	142,490	149,902	1,213,061	1,110,070
Atlanta, Knox. & No.	September	27,969	21,967	205,327	212,132
Atlanta & W. P.	October	53,438	54,668	453,500	426,601
Atl. & Danv.	4th week Nov.	9,359	101,111	492,517	498,393
Austin & Northwest	September	17,896	27,805	124,547	190,976
Baltimore & Ohio	October	2,396,197	2,372,746	21,422,913	20,574,952
Baltimore & Ohio South'w	1st week Dec.	132,376	107,582	5,080,273	5,705,560
Bath & Hammonds	September	2,923	4,388	18,610	19,092
Birmingham & Atlantic	November	4,243	2,506	23,429	21,533
Brunswick & West	September	49,264	53,469	418,987	449,508
Buffalo, Roch. & Pittsburg	1st week Dec.	63,775	57,697	3,220,539	3,140,366
Buffalo & Susquehanna	October	65,674	60,420	612,445	444,056
Bur., C. Rap. & N.	4th week Nov.	125,105	80,556	3,020,783	4,007,596
Canadian Pacific	1st week Dec.	534,000	381,000	23,257,340	19,126,979
Car. Midland	October	7,200	7,310	48,797	50,181
Central of Georgia	4th week Nov.	177,207	167,613	4,834,944	4,761,542
Central New Jersey	October	1,230,733	1,263,807	10,480,514	10,485,733
Central Pacific	September	1,453,385	1,219,011	10,108,667	9,118,534
Charleston & Savannah	September	40,392	36,774	465,391	423,904
Char. & W. Car.	June	43,912	37,323		
Chesapeake & Ohio	4th week Nov.	304,176	247,530	10,190,957	9,356,376
Chic., Bur. & Quincy	October	4,357,251	3,773,809	32,610,412	28,398,096
Chicago & East Illinois	1st week Dec.	125,600	105,300	3,800,722	3,601,032
Chicago Great Western	1st week Dec.	94,716	81,429	4,779,116	4,352,497
Chic., Ind. & L.	4th week Nov.	31,537	63,379		
Chic., Mil. & St. P.	1st week Dec.	662,606	546,923	30,024,286	29,228,432
Chic. & Northwestern	October	3,626,259	3,300,706	27,594,249	27,251,982
Chic., Peo. & St. L.	November	72,800	66,251	737,227	809,209
Chic., Rock Island & P.	November	1,644,731	1,201,636	15,324,788	14,184,563
Chic., St. P., M. & O.	October	1,087,357	1,117,261	6,982,876	6,744,772
Chic., Ter. Tr. R. R.	4th week Nov.	34,074	22,940		
Chic. & W. Mich.	4th week Nov.	36,543	33,154	1,496,494	1,498,701
Choc., Ok. & Gulf	4th week Nov.	32,366	14,726		
Cin., G. & Ports.	November	5,158	4,682		
Cin., N. O. & T. P.	November	334,021	280,248	3,317,157	3,067,568
Clev., Can. & So.	4th week Nov.	18,449	14,304	599,715	651,331
Clev., Cin., Ch. & St. L.	4th week Nov.	396,924	313,798	12,523,431	11,807,013
Peo. & Eastern	November	148,399	114,394	1,583,853	1,553,022
Clev., Lor. & Wheel.	4th week Nov.	45,206	23,358	1,238,646	1,201,220
Colorado Midland	November	149,895	158,643	1,585,815	1,985,221
Col., H. V. & Tol.	November	293,615	253,951	2,270,973	2,274,998
Col. & Red Mount	July	6,841		71,836	
Col., Sandusky & H.	3 weeks June	46,964	49,226	348,874	342,009
Colusa & Lake	November	2,500	1,300	21,485	17,991
Crystal	October	1,309	540	11,171	9,280
Cumberland Valley	October	80,273	75,233	687,791	695,268
Denver & Rio Grande	1st week Dec.	162,900	137,400	7,029,838	6,795,080
Des Moines & Kan. City	2d week Nov.	2,798	2,694	189,759	104,726
Des Moines, N. & W.	November	39,486	36,832	391,283	409,592
Det., Grand Rapids & W.	4th week Nov.	20,601	24,206	1,184,198	1,076,859
Detroit & Lima No.	November	38,294	9,974		
Detroit & Mackinac	October	33,956	19,267	400,628	356,850
Duluth & Iron R.	September	357,256	170,772	2,227,501	1,789,262
Duluth, S. S. & At.	3d week Nov.	37,759	24,458	1,428,492	1,762,117
Elgin, Joliet & East	November	100,461	93,401	1,071,738	1,194,173
Erie	October	3,268,293	3,098,294	27,387,757	25,921,987
Eureka Springs	September	5,136	5,372	48,941	46,315
Evansville & Indianapolis	4th week Nov.	6,982	6,162	260,791	289,678
Evansville & Richmond	3d week Aug.	1,326	2,451	51,713	73,551
Evansville & T. H.	4th week Nov.	26,018	24,111	1,005,021	975,612
Fitchburg	October	725,849	673,705	6,062,051	6,068,099
Flint & Pere Marquette	4th week Nov.	72,391	53,368	2,528,412	2,362,950
Florida Central & Pen.	4th week Nov.	49,512	46,376	2,166,372	1,935,588
Fort Worth & Den. C.	4th week Nov.	31,050	32,902	1,148,608	910,792
Fort Worth & Rio Grande	4th week Nov.	23,044	9,350	355,704	291,116
Gads. & At. U.	November	769	827	7,846	9,739
Georgia Railroad	4th week Nov.	45,159	47,361	1,477,945	1,410,031
Georgia & Alabama	4th week Nov.	29,489	28,100	1,002,230	783,177
Georgia, Car. & No.	September	77,949	89,477	640,579	591,974
Georgia So. & Florida	November	81,383	74,050	794,834	805,614
Grand Rapids & Ind.	4th week Nov.	50,257	35,917	1,808,745	1,755,740
Cin., R. & Port W.	4th week Nov.	9,709	8,041	369,072	362,220
Traverse City	4th week Nov.	1,025	747	36,025	42,196
Mus., G. R. & I.	4th week Nov.	2,308	2,027	107,893	111,388
Total all lines	4th week Nov.	63,302	48,732	2,319,709	2,271,547
Grand Trunk system	4th week Nov.	652,902	585,024	21,284,949	20,781,127
Chic. & Grand Trunk	4th week Nov.	71,653	71,446	2,790,041	2,808,860
Det. Gr. H. & M.	4th week Nov.	23,417	21,837	905,048	869,877
Cin., Sag. & Mac.	4th week Nov.	3,467	3,229	111,075	116,508
Tol., S. & Musk.	4th week Nov.	2,846	1,913	101,072	76,187
Great Northern—					
St. P., M. & M.	November	1,855,886	1,648,388	15,161,805	14,498,391
East. of Minn.	November	200,985	213,067	1,817,148	1,796,104
Montana Central	November	195,567	153,974	1,887,287	1,760,205
Total system	November	1,342,433	2,016,299	18,866,240	18,054,700
Gulf, B'mnt & K. C.	November	14,053	10,242	118,078	87,235
Gulf & Chicago	November	8,500	6,490	44,705	42,732
Hoosac Tunnel & Will.	September	5,193	3,737	40,647	39,500
Houston & Texas Central	September	423,881	421,808	2,489,526	2,466,422
Illinois Central	November	2,534,027	1,869,566	22,138,724	19,686,775
Ind., Dec. & West	August	50,344	39,312	305,864	304,532
Ind., Ill. & Iowa	September	61,369	49,994	559,744	561,692
Ind. & Great Northern	1st week Dec.	84,143	96,180	3,348,077	3,205,666
Interoc. (Mex.)	Week Nov. 20.	53,700	42,910	2,321,510	2,052,618
Iowa Central	4th week Nov.	50,424	34,548	1,568,418	1,593,236
Iron Railway	November	8,750	8,283	35,256	39,880
Jack., T. & K. W.	September	20,858	22,314	225,050	235,272
Kanawha & Michigan	4th week Nov.	12,790	10,397	481,246	412,970
Kan. City, Ft. Scott & M.	4th week Nov.	135,614	96,294	4,442,725	4,046,149
Kan. City, Mem. & Bir.	4th week Nov.	40,214	30,812	1,062,818	1,065,032
Kansas City, N. W.	November	57,083	28,896	323,290	256,054
Kansas City & Omaha	4th week Nov.	5,963	3,523	217,168	167,468
Kansas City, Pitts. & G.	1st week Dec.	58,344	19,978	2,232,889	728,806
Kansas City Sub. Belt	1st week Dec.	3,000	4,902	468,525	316,075
Keokuk & Western	3d week Nov.	7,743	7,396	368,719	352,454
Lake Erie, All. & So.	October	5,895	7,380	51,331	49,784
Lake Erie & Western	4th week Nov.	90,874	60,617	3,123,149	3,067,247
Lehigh & Hudson	November	41,985	32,066	351,218	358,852
Lehigh Valley Railroad	October	2,243,539	2,117,217		
Lehigh Val. Coal Company	October	2,538,334	2,081,871		
Lexington & East.	October	17,447	12,747	173,157	166,086
Long Island Railroad	November	307,809	275,565	3,885,553	3,694,443
Long Island system	October	390,792	333,444	4,892,962	4,773,843
Los Angeles Term.	November	6,597	4,561	85,865	78,548
Louis., Evans. & St. L.	4th week Nov.	40,796	32,065	1,332,603	1,380,943
Louis., H. & St. L.	1st week Dec.	10,190	7,134	475,136	428,133
Louisville & Nashville	4th week Nov.	570,365	500,327	18,912,920	18,466,575
Macon & Birmingham	November	8,620	6,580	60,878	56,563
Manistique	November	2,835	2,104	105,720	110,658
Memphis & Charleston	2d week Nov.	38,075	32,637	1,227,072	1,135,772
Mexican Central	1st week Dec.	2,870,021	211,572	11,894,228	9,383,944
Mexican International	September	242,188	214,844	2,359,747	2,116,033
Mexican National	1st week Dec.	121,605	108,803	5,531,393	4,799,026
Mexican Northern	September	62,494	51,306	443,210	383,144
Mexican Railway	Week Nov. 20.	65,000	72,000	3,393,764	2,544,109
Mexican Southern	2d week Nov.	10,740	10,740	616,996	488,560
Minneapolis & St. Louis	1st week Dec.	42,917	39,413	2,000,103	1,870,425
M., St. P. & S. St. M.	4th week Nov.	139,223	74,404	5,532,619	5,335,060
Missouri, Kansas & Texas	4th week Nov.	402,143	292,718	10,788,426	10,605,179
Missouri Pacific & Iron M.	1st week Dec.	518,000	421,000	22,965,000	20,571,260
Central Branch	1st week Dec.	12,000	15,000	1,049,000	716,172
Total	1st week Dec.	530,000	436,000	24,002,000	21,660,441
Mobile & Birmingham	November	40,153	36,142	277,193	301,289
Mobile & Ohio	November	866,509	854,329	8,611,676	8,348,608
Mont. & Mex. Gulf	October	117,597	101,902	1,161,460	935,179
Nash., Ch. & St. L.	October	526,322	473,641	4,534,109	4,167,248
Nat. & Fort Sh.	August	14,842		161,295	
Nevada Central	August	2,245	2,997	24,406	21,056
N. Y. C. & H. R.	November	3,960,753	3,882,213	41,974,547	40,236,861
N. Y., Ont. & West	1st week Dec.	61,156	54,224	3,690,622	3,634,322
N. Y., Susq. & W.	October	213,397	212,765	1,815,678	1,897,099
Norfolk & Western	4th week Nov.	253,397	192,227	9,264,567	10,622,332
Northeastern (Ga.)	September	8,045	6,280	42,858	43,745
Northeastern S. C.	June	54,324	41,494		
Northern Central	October	625,622	625,220	5,531,077	5,274,539
Northern Pacific	4th week Nov.	171,262	986,472	19,057,201	17,612,882
Ohio River	4th week Nov.	18,570	17,226	973,943	902,507
Ohio River & Char.	November	18,021	17,591	168,108	158,519
Ohio Southern	November	73,443	52,582	622,706	646,841
Omaha, Kan. City & E.	1st week Nov.	14,864	9,569	453,207	440,617
Oregon Imp. Co.	September	422,698	299,067	2,902,966	2,442,179
Oregon R. R. & Nav.	4th week Nov.	122,275	142,992	4,945,282	4,393,241
Oregon Short Line	October	562,628	570,600	4,860,228	4,973,855
Pacific Mail	October	283,813	237,100	2,324,827	2,226,273
Pennsylvania	October	3,958,179	3,696,619	32,760,997	27,627,362
Peoria, Dec. & Ev.	1st week Dec.	16,619	16,510	643,289	597,603

Roads.	Latest Gross Earnings. Week or Mo.	1897.	1896.	Jan. 1 to Latest Date. 1897.	1896.
Petersburg	October	44,901	45,972	477,135	466,592
Philadelphia & Erie	October	538,062	527,561	3,758,893	3,684,581
Philadelphia & Reading	October	2,184,454	2,092,981	17,441,119	17,291,326
Coal & Iron	October	2,506,170	2,767,852	18,196,486	18,936,683
Total both companies	October	4,689,624	4,860,783	35,637,605	36,228,009
Phil., Read. & N. E.	October	69,039	64,586	538,671	578,029
Phil., Wil. & B.	October	798,381	736,981		
Pitts., C. C. & St. L.	October	1,429,082	1,234,444	12,196,415	12,110,063
Pitts., Lisb. & W'n.	November	4,971	3,870	42,443	30,636
Pitts., Bes. & L. E.	November	75,149	53,704	568,998	589,057
Pittsburg & Western	4th week Nov.	45,352	40,109	1,561,703	1,561,953
Pitts., Clev. & Tol.	4th week Nov.	26,695	17,372	814,945	704,960
Pitts., Penn. & F.	4th week Nov.	14,275	9,595	339,702	355,255
Total system	4th week Nov.	86,322	67,076	2,743,982	2,649,420
Pitts., Young & A.	October	168,584	117,583	1,230,766	1,217,225
Rich., Fredericksburg & P.	October	54,583	54,428	588,239	593,485
Rich. & Petersburg	October	26,982	27,752	283,683	288,056
Rio Grande Southern	4th week Nov.	11,757	10,017	345,362	415,775
Rio Grande Western	4th week Nov.	106,600	72,700	2,697,578	2,196,132
St. Joseph & Grand Island	4th week Nov.	26,800	14,800	1,042,363	640,622
St. L., Ch. & St. P.	November	30,000	25,778	272,608	272,347
St. L., K. & So.	November	8,200	6,000	60,142	
St. Louis & San Francisco	4th week Nov.	191,907	146,062	5,959,481	5,535,954
St. L. Southwest.	4th week Nov.	164,100	141,700	4,392,314	4,256,943
St. Paul & Duluth	November	187,529	162,418	1,490,089	1,430,056
San Antonio & A. P.	October	176,801	255,535	1,656,017	1,668,811
San Francisco & N. P.	November	67,996	58,524	746,336	693,511
Santa Fé, Pres. & Ph.	September	57,820	45,764		
Savannah, Fla. & West.	September	286,908	274,311	2,514,840	2,502,127
Seaboard & Roanoke	July	65,271	59,064		
Sher., Shrev. & So.	4th week Nov.	12,804	13,867	290,888	272,845
Silver Springs, O. & G.	September	18,984	10,521	148,845	144,646
Silverton	November	5,000	7,044		
So. Haven & East.	November	1,899	2,599	24,742	25,963
Southern Pacific Company—					
Gal., Har. & San Antonio	September	396,100	423,776	3,315,477	3,602,951
Louisiana West.	September	57,318	63,907	718,317	638,860
Morgan's L. & T.	September	410,006	463,020	3,764,094	3,452,712
N. Y., T. & Mex.	September	43,719	38,423	348,163	182,478
Texas & New Orleans	September	100,914	111,794	1,113,461	940,963
Atlantic Properties	September	1,048,938	1,160,999	9,289,393	8,976,758
Pacific system	September	3,446,151	2,888,437	24,991,101	23,207,153
Total of all	October	4,431,380	5,179,912	41,181,356	39,818,041
Southern Pacific of Cal.	September	979,506	841,029	7,470,066	7,346,633
Southern Pacific of Ariz.	September	231,726	155,118	1,875,597	1,621,272
Southern Pacific of New M.	September	108,208	84,980	908,314	828,896
Northern Railway	September	233,991	221,267	1,852,565	1,604,164
Southern Railway	4th week Nov.	534,109	480,714	17,886,561	16,967,180
Spokane Falls & Northern	August	50,918	44,961	420,372	273,461
Stony Cl. & C. Mt.	October	1,801	1,959	32,805	37,181
Summit Branch	May	66,319	79,232	333,967	404,815
Lyk. Val. Coal	May	67,049	66,881	330,649	370,627
Total both companies	August	141,707	117,958	1,088,846	1,182,008
Texas Central	4th week Nov.	16,206	9,548	300,235	259,485
Texas & Pacific	1st week Dec.	185,273	181,287	6,798,222	6,189,016
Tex., S. V. & N. W.	September	4,569	3,597		
Toledo & Ohio Central	1st week Dec.	43,425	37,813	1,584,244	1,666,000
Toledo, P. & West.	4th week Nov.	24,607	17,465	854,474	868,879
Toledo, St. L. & K. C.	4th week Nov.	61,670	58,908	2,076,174	1,979,702
Union Pacific—					
Union Pacific Railway	September	1,762,233	1,423,231	11,308,630	10,149,273
Central Branch	1st week Dec.	21,000	18,000	1,040,000	714,580
Ach. Col. & P.	September	58,095	31,707	373,492	234,115
Ach. J. C. & W.					
Cent. Branch & leased lines	September	117,565	68,518	821,376	541,381
Grand total	September	2,098,417	1,630,920	13,708,019	11,696,872
U. P., Den. & G.	4th week Nov.	77,670	70,776	3,209,441	2,829,124
Wabash	1st week Dec.	236,761	223,810	11,387,052	11,221,742
Waco & Northwest.	September	32,408	37,161	161,206	174,208
W. Jersey & Seashore	October	178,112	159,994	2,229,903	2,256,040
West Va. Cen. & Pitts.	May	98,247	98,155	455,772	472,975
West Va. & Pitts.	September	38,206	35,345	299,574	291,262
Western of Ala.	October	45,326	67,813	480,138	469,676
West. N. Y. & Penn.	4th week Nov.	88,300	71,000	2,845,768	2,810,464
Wheeling & Lake Erie	1st week Dec.	30,708	24,691	1,090,799	1,215,007
Wil., Columbia & Augusta	June	39,582	38,977		
Wisconsin Central	1st week Dec.	81,755	75,351	4,238,860	4,061,054
Wright. & Tenn.	October	10,366	10,394	71,510	76,461
York Southern	October	7,963	7,922	58,315	57,563

STREET RAILWAYS AND TRACTION COMPANIES.

	Latest Gross Earnings. Week or Mo.	1897.	1896.	Jan. 1 to Latest Date. 1897.	1896.
Akron, Bedford & Clev.	October	$10,060	$10,662	$87,453	$84,619
Amsterdam St. Railway	September	4,307	3,910	36,583	37,443
Atlanta Railway	October	8,020	6,592	75,692	72,790
Atlantic Coast Elec.	October	7,721	6,282		
Atlantic H'lands, Red Bank & Long Branch Elec. Ry.	October	3,450	1,646	35,719	
Baltimore Con. Railway	November	179,857	170,668	2,138,443	2,080,511
Bath St. Ry. (Maine)	October	1,747	1,489	17,346	17,596
Bay Cities Consol.	October	6,590	6,965		
Binghamton St. Railway	October	11,872	10,385		
Bridgeport Traction	November	25,765	23,941	298,814	298,883
Brockton Con. St. Railway	October	32,616	30,336	289,040	270,033
Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company.— Brooklyn Heights, B'klyn, Queens & Sub.	November	433,704	421,461	4,936,963	4,844,506
Buffalo Railway	September			1,017,129	1,028,547
Cin. & Miami Val. Trac.	August	9,471			
City Electric (Rome, Ga.)	October	2,124	1,552	19,590	17,317
Cleveland Electric	October	142,491	134,346	1,346,709	1,373,213
Cleveland, Painsv. & E.	October	8,360	7,080	73,074	
Columbus St. Ry. (O.)	November	49,787	43,077	553,405	577,378
Coney Island & Brooklyn	September			287,808	273,308
Consolidated Trac. (N. J.)	October	264,859	241,453		
Danv. Gas Electric Light & Street Railway	October	8,926		85,644	
Denver Con. Tramway	October	73,873	71,311	691,335	613,353
Detroit Citizens' St. Ry.	November	90,621	82,998	1,002,880	950,341
Detroit Electric Railway	November	31,757	33,756	358,341	338,220
Duluth Street Railway	October	15,785	17,041	156,971	181,888
Englewood & Chicago	September	6,357			
Erie Electric Motor Co.	October	10,651	10,652	117,505	128,746
Galveston City Railway	September	18,542	19,148	163,399	161,602
Harrisburg Traction	October	18,930	17,056		
Herkimer, Mohawk, Ilion & Frankfort El. Ry.	October	3,089	3,290	32,759	35,899
Hoosick Railway	October	619	900	6,541	7,223
Houston Electric St. Ry.	June	17,347	17,338	92,595	95,408
Interstate Con. of N. At'boro.	October	10,956	9,874	108,824	104,287
Kingston City Railway	October	4,453	4,593	45,746	45,483
Lehigh Traction	October	9,057	9,729	91,465	101,857
London St. Railway (Can.)	October	7,125	7,396	85,244	79,952
Lowell, Law. & Hav.	October	34,973	30,329	375,061	351,332
Metropolitan (Kansas City)	4th week Nov.	44,998	38,640	1,708,314	1,630,117
Metro. West Side (Chicago)	October	79,528			
Montgomery Street Ry.	October	3,967	4,610	47,488	47,794
Montreal Street Railway	October	116,206	109,110	1,136,883	1,072,029
Nassau Elec. (Brooklyn)	October	151,221	129,843	1,625,900	1,223,197
Newburg Electric	October	6,376	5,119	71,632	75,420
New London St. Railway	October	3,443	3,253	47,126	47,204
New Orleans Traction	November	87,454	98,977	1,127,767	1,207,650
North Shore Traction	November	109,741	100,821	1,340,041	1,334,205
Ogdensburg Street Ry.	October	1,670	1,462	16,474	14,825
Paterson Railway	October	30,908	24,612	288,536	270,101
Pittsburg, Ft. Sch. & L. Ry.	June	3,213	1,296	16,943	8,653
Po'keepsie & Wapp. Falls	October	7,200	6,352	73,876	74,058
Richmond Traction	October	12,118	8,476		
Rochester Railway	September			599,899	632,373
Rox., Ch. H. & Nor.	October	5,673	5,800	74,740	67,823
Schuylkill Traction	September	8,532	8,480	67,098	72,816
Schuylkill Valley Traction	September	6,625		45,825	
Scranton & Carbondale	October	3,526			
Scranton & Pittston	October	6,123			
Scranton Railway	November	33,284	30,294	329,466	320,786
Syracuse East Side Ry.	October	2,949	2,901	27,343	31,831
Syracuse Rapid Transit Ry.	October	37,062	32,308	354,080	354,022
Term Haute Elec. Ry.	September	14,209	13,705	111,790	120,341
Third Avenue (N. Y.)	September			1,935,425	2,000,587
Toronto Railway	November	88,606	74,617	966,946	865,781
Twin City Rapid Transit	October	187,670	159,340	1,632,922	1,707,076
Union (New Bedford)	October	21,179	18,202	182,554	187,409
United Trac. (Pittsburg)	October	125,281	123,141		
United Trac. (Providence)	October	144,427	136,983	1,440,253	1,440,561
United Trac. (Reading)	October	14,941	13,472	167,016	164,285
Wakefield & Stone.	October	4,937	3,775	51,466	49,580
Waterbury Traction	October	22,403	20,348	211,350	199,681
West Chicago St. Railway	Week Dec. 2.	70,218	66,495		
Wheeling Railway	October	15,149	13,773	133,623	146,225
Wilkesb. & Wy. Valley	October	48,839	44,961	494,816	493,713

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